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## STATED CONVOCATION,

DEC. 12, 1865.

A STATED Convocation of the GRAND ROYAL ARCH CHAPTER OF MASSACHUSETTS was held at Freemasons' Hall, No. 10 Summer Street, Boston, on Tuesday evening, Dec. 12, A.D. 1865, R.A.M. 2395.

*Present.*

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| M.E. RICHARD BRIGGS | Grand High Priest. |
| M.E. JOHN W. DADMUN | Deputy Grand High Priest. |
| E. DAVID W. CRAFTS | Grand King. |
| E. MARLBOROUGH WILLIAMS | Grand Scribe. |
| E. JOHN MCCLELLAN | Grand Treasurer. |
| E. SOLON THORNTON | Grand Secretary *p. t.* |
| E. THEODORE H. EMMONS | Grand Captain of the Host. |
| E. GEORGE T. AMBROSE | Grand Principal Sojourner. |
| E. LOUIS A. FELIX | Grand Royal Arch Captain. |
| E. J. K. BAKER | Grand Master First Veil. |
| E. RUFUS S. POPE, E. JOHN P. ROBINSON, E. WILLIAM S. STUDLEY, | Grand Chaplains. |
| E. EBEN F. GAY | Senior Grand Steward. |
| E. CHARLES G. JACKMAN | Junior Grand Steward. |
| E. ALFRED F. CHAPMAN | Grand Lecturer. |
| E. LUTHER L. TARBELL | Grand Tyler. |

*Permanent Members.*

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| HENRY CHICKERING. | WILLIAM W. BAKER. | SAM'L K. HUTCHINSON. |
| E. W. TOLMAN. | WYZEMAN MARSHALL. | JOHN N. PIKE. |
| A. E. FOTH. | SAMUEL MILLARD. | JAMES KIMBALL. |

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*Visitor.*

THOMAS A. DOYLE, Grand High Priest of the Grand Chapter of Rhode Island.

The following Chapters were represented: —

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| ST. ANDREW'S. | NORTHAMPTON. | ST. MATTHEW'S. |
| KING CYRUS. | MOUNT HOREB. | HAMPDEN. |
| WASHINGTON. | ST. JOHN'S. | MYSTIC. |
| MORNING STAR. | ORIENT. | WALTHAM. |
| ST. PAUL'S. | PENTUCKET. | ST. MARK'S. |
| MOUNT ZION. | BERKSHIRE. | MOUNT VERNON. |
| WORCESTER. | PILGRIM. | CAMBRIDGE. |
| MOUNT LEBANON. | WAVERLY. | |

The Grand Chapter was opened in Ample Form.

A petition was presented, signed by Companions Daniel Upton, R. B. Dean, F. M. Leonard, H. H. Wellington, David D. Brown, S. A. Skinner, Alden Millard, F. O. Sayles, S. H. Almy, H. M. Holmes, C. D. Cole, H. N. Wells, C. H. Ingalls, H. C. Bowen, R. M. Cole, and N. W. Mason, praying for a dispensation to open and hold a Chapter at Adams South Village, to be named Corinthian Royal Arch Chapter.

This petition was referred to E. Companions Henry Chickering, A. E. Foth, and William W. Baker, who submitted the following report, which was accepted, and the recommendation adopted: —

IN GRAND CHAPTER OF MASSACHUSETTS, Dec. 12, 1865.

The Committee appointed to consider the petition of Companion Daniel Upton and others for a new Chapter to be located in Adams South Village, to be called Corinthian Royal Arch Chapter, have attended to that duty, and, after due consideration, recommend that the prayer of the petitioners be granted.

HENRY CHICKERING.
A. E. FOTH.
WILLIAM W. BAKER.

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A letter was read from M.W. William Parkman, Grand Master of the Grand Lodge, in relation to Maria E. Graves, widow of our late brother Benjamin Graves, and daughter of the late E. Companion Thomas Smith Webb. On motion of E. Companion McClellan, the sum of twenty-five dollars was appropriated for the relief of Mrs. Graves.

On motion of E. Companion Thornton, it was *Voted*, That the dispensation to Cambridge Royal Arch Chapter be continued in force until such time as the M.E. Grand High Priest can constitute the same.

On motion of E. Companion Chickering, it was *Voted*, *unanimously*, That the thanks of the Grand Chapter be tendered to E. Companion A. F. Chapman, Grand Lecturer, and his assistants, for the very able, excellent, and satisfactory manner in which they have this day exemplified the work and lectures of the Royal Arch and Appendant Degrees.

The Grand Chapter was then closed in Ample Form.

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## SPECIAL CONVOCATION,

JAN. 19, 1866.

A SPECIAL Convocation of the GRAND ROYAL ARCH CHAPTER OF MASSACHUSETTS was convened at Cambridge on Friday evening, Jan. 19, 1866, M.E. Richard Briggs, Grand High Priest, presiding; when Cambridge Royal Arch Chapter was consecrated, and its officers installed in Due and Ancient Form.

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## STATED CONVOCATION,

MARCH 13, 1866.

A STATED Convocation of the GRAND ROYAL ARCH CHAPTER OF MASSACHUSETTS was held at Freemasons' Hall, Boston, on Tuesday evening, March 13, A.D. 1866, R.A.M. 2396.

*Present.*

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| M.E. RICHARD BRIGGS | Grand High Priest. |
| M.E. JOHN W. DADMUN | Deputy Grand High Priest. |
| E. DAVID W. CRAFTS | Grand King. |
| E. MARLBOROUGH WILLIAMS | Grand Scribe. |
| E. THEODORE H. EMMONS | Grand Captain of the Host. |
| E. LOUIS A. FELIX | Grand Royal Arch Captain. |
| E. ALFRED F. CHAPMAN | Grand Lecturer. |
| E. E. M. P. WELLS | Grand Chaplain *p. t.* |
| E. LUTHER L. TARBELL | Grand Tyler. |

*Permanent Members.*

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| JOHN MCCLELLAN. | WYZEMAN MARSHALL. | SOLON THORNTON. |
| SAMUEL MILLARD. | GILBERT NURSE. | CHARLES C. DAME. |
| HENRY CHICKERING. | E. W. TOLMAN. | GEORGE TALBOT. |
| WILLIAM W. BAKER. | JOHN N. PIKE. | WANTON T. DREW. |

The Grand Chapter was opened in Ample Form. The records of the last Convocation read and approved.

The following Chapters were represented: —

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| ST. ANDREW'S. | MOUNT ZION. | ST. MATTHEW'S. |
| KING CYRUS. | MOUNT LEBANON. | HAMPDEN. |
| WASHINGTON. | SHEKINAH. | CAMBRIDGE. |
| ADONIRAM. | KING SOLOMON'S. | WALTHAM. |
| MORNING STAR. | PILGRIM. | MOUNT VERNON. |
| ST. PAUL'S. | WAVERLY. | |

A petition was presented, signed by George L. Hunt, H. Hunt, Proctor G. Sloan, Andrew Atwood, C. W. Ban-

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non, John H. Williams, Eri Shepardson, A. M. Sawyer, A. G. Moulton, Havillah Holden, Ebenezer Cheney, Asa Barney, I. P. Cutting, George W. Black, A. J. Clark, C. W. Barber, I. D. Chase, Ira Hastings, Jason S. Hastings, and B. M. Sawin, praying for leave to open and hold a Chapter of Royal Arch Masons in the town of Athol, in the county of Worcester, to be called Union Chapter. This petition was read and referred to a Committee consisting of E. Companions Wyzeman Marshall, Z. H. Thomas, Jr., and George Robinson. This Committee subsequently submitted the following report, which was read and accepted: —

In Grand Royal Arch Chapter, Boston, March 13, 1866.

The Committee to whom was referred the petition of George L. Hunt and nineteen others, for a dispensation empowering them to open a Chapter of Royal Arch Masons in the town of Athol, by the name of Union Royal Arch Chapter, respectfully report that the prayer of the petitioners be granted.

Wyzeman Marshall.
Z. H. Thomas, Jr.
George Robinson.

A petition signed by William Sayward, James H. Upham, Charles Breck, William T. Adams, George Woodman, L. Pratt, S. B. Hildreth, L. H. Dwelley, William H. West, Thomas F. Temple, J. H. Beal, John Robie, Joseph Dix, Richard K. Vaughan, Robert M. Todd, Z. Kenney, D. B. Stedman, Charles Holt, and Nelson N. Farrar, was presented, read, and referred to E. Companions William W. Baker, Wanton T. Drew, and C. H. White, who subsequently submitted the following report: —

In Grand Royal Arch Chapter, Boston, March 13, 1866.

The Committee appointed to consider the application of Companions William Sayward, James H. Upham, and others, for a

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dispensation to form and open a Chapter of Royal Arch Masons in the town of Dorchester, to be called St. Stephen's Royal Arch Chapter, have attended to their duty; and after a careful examination of the subject, and being well and favorably acquainted with many of the petitioners thereof, would cordially recommend that the prayer of the petitioners be granted.

WILLIAM W. BAKER.
W. T. DREW.
C. H. WHITE.

The foregoing report was read and accepted.

The following communication was received from the Massachusetts Convention of High Priests: —

OFFICE OF THE SECRETARY OF THE MASSACHUSETTS CONVENTION OF HIGH PRIESTS, BOSTON, Dec. 13, 1865.

*To the M.E. Grand High Priest, Officers, and Members of the Grand Chapter of Massachusetts.*

COMPANIONS, — I have the honor as well as the pleasure of informing you, that on the evening of the twelfth day of December, 1865, M.E. THOMAS A. DOYLE of Providence Chapter, Rhode Island; LYMAN B. MESTON of St. Andrew's Chapter, Boston; JOHN W. DADMUN of Mount Vernon Chapter, Roxbury; C. H. WHITE of St. Matthew's Chapter, South Boston; N. T. MERRITT of Mystic Chapter, Medford; D. W. CRAFTS of Northampton Chapter, Northampton; H. N. HALL of Mount Horeb Chapter, Lowell; J. K. BAKER, Jr., of Orient Chapter, Hyannis; DAVID B. TENNEY of Pentucket Chapter, Haverhill; JONATHAN R. GAY of Mount Zion Chapter, Stoughton; HENRY C. SKINNER of Mount Lebanon Chapter, Milford; T. E. ST. JOHN of Worcester Chapter, Worcester, were duly consecrated to the order of High Priesthood, and will be acknowledged accordingly.

EBENEZER W. TOLMAN,
*Sec. of the Mass. Con. of High Priests.*

The Grand Chapter was closed in Ample Form.

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## STATED CONVOCATION,

JUNE 12, 1866.

A STATED Convocation of the GRAND ROYAL ARCH CHAPTER OF MASSACHUSETTS was held at Freemasons' Hall, Boston, on Tuesday evening, June 12, A.D. 1866.

*Present.*

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| M.E. RICHARD BRIGGS | Grand High Priest. |
| M.E. JOHN W. DADMUN | Deputy Grand High Priest. |
| E. DAVID W. CRAFTS | Grand King. |
| E. JOHN N. PIKE | Grand Scribe *p. t.* |
| E. THEODORE H. EMMONS | Grand Captain of the Host. |
| E. CHARLES G. JACKMAN | Grand Principal Sojourner. |
| E. LOUIS A. FELIX | Grand Royal Arch Captain. |
| E. FREDERICK A. PIERCE | Grand Master Third Veil. |
| E. PETER C. JONES | Grand Treasurer. |
| E. THOMAS WATERMAN | Grand Secretary. |
| E. JOHN P. ROBINSON | Grand Chaplain. |
| E. ALFRED F. CHAPMAN | Grand Lecturer. |
| E. JAMES KIMBALL | Com. of For. Correspondence. |
| E. LUTHER L. TARBELL | Grand Tyler. |

*Permanent Members.*

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| SOLON THORNTON. | E. W. TOLMAN. | JOHN K. HALL. |
| JOHN MCCLELLAN. | WILLIAM W. BAKER. | ABRAHAM A. DAME. |
| SAMUEL MILLARD. | WILLIAM PARKMAN. | |

The Grand Chapter was opened in Ample Form. The records of the last meeting read and approved.

Companion A. F. Chapman exhibited a Past High Priest's jewel, which was examined by the Companions present; whereupon it was *Voted*, That the same be approved and recommended to the subordinate Chapters under this jurisdiction as a suitable emblem to be worn by their Past High Priests.



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A petition signed by Companions Joel T. White, N. H. Sears, S. W. Aldrich, N. H. Greenwood, H. E. Rockwell, N. B. Chase, I. B. Sayles, H. Fernald, William G. Scandlin, Levi Rawson, and S. E. Hall, praying for authority to open and hold a Chapter of Royal Arch Masons in the town of Millbury, in the county of Worcester, to be named Millbury Chapter, was presented and read, and referred to a Committee consisting of E. Companions McClellan, Hall, and Kimball, who subsequently submitted the following report, which was accepted: —

In Grand Royal Arch Chapter, June 12, 1866.

The Committee to whom was referred the petition of Companions Joel T. White, N. H. Sears, S. W. Aldrich, and others, for a dispensation to form and open a Chapter of Royal Arch Masons in Millbury, have had the subject under consideration, and beg leave to report: —

Not receiving sufficient evidence that any of the Companions named in the petition are sufficiently acquainted with the work to be able to open and conduct the Chapter, would recommend that the petitioners should wait some further time, until they become better prepared, or can furnish evidence satisfactory to the Grand Chapter of their ability to perform the duties incumbent upon them.

John McClellan.
John K. Hall.
James Kimball.

A petition signed by Companions S. W. Robinson, John C. Blasdel, Edward Storer, W. H. Pattee, S. G. Damon, Wm. Prouty, M. Morton, Lewis Spalding, Maurice O'Connell, John A. Pattee, W. H. Guild, Bailey Shackford, James Durgin, Addison Hill, Andrew F. Allen, and J. K. Southmayd, praying for authority to open and hold a Chapter of Royal Arch Masons in the town of West Cambridge, to be named Menotomy Royal Arch Chapter, was presented

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and referred to a Committee consisting of E. Companions Solon Thornton, Louis A. Felix, and Z. H. Thomas, Jr. This Committee submitted the following report, which was read and accepted: —

BOSTON, June 12, 1866.

The Committee to whom was referred the petition of Companions of West Cambridge, for a dispensation for a new Chapter to be located at that place, respectfully recommend that the prayer of the petitioners be granted when the recommendation of the Chapter at Medford is obtained.

SOLON THORNTON.
LOUIS A. FELIX.
Z. H. THOMAS, Jr.

The following communication was received from the Massachusetts Convention of High Priests.

OFFICE OF THE SECRETARY OF THE MASSACHUSETTS CONVENTION OF HIGH PRIESTS, BOSTON, March 13, 1866.

*To the M.E. Grand High Priest, Officers, and Members of the Grand Chapter of Massachusetts.*

COMPANIONS, — I have the honor as well as the pleasure of informing you, that on the evening of the thirteenth day of March, 1866, E. Companions HENRY ENDICOTT of St. Paul's Chapter, Boston; ZEPH. H. THOMAS, Jr., of Cambridge Chapter, Cambridge; GEORGE ROBINSON of King Solomon's Chapter, Ware; STEPHEN MATTHEWSON of Mount Lebanon Chapter, Milford; and JAMES B. SHAW of Hampden Chapter, Palmer, were duly consecrated to the order of High Priesthood, and will be acknowledged accordingly.

EBENEZER W. TOLMAN,
*Sec. of the Mass. Con. of High Priests.*

On motion of E. Companion William Parkman, it was *Voted*, That the sum of fifty dollars be donated to the widow of our late Companion Robert Keith.

Closed in Ample Form.

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# ANNUAL CONVOCATION,

SEPT. 11, 1866.

THE Annual Convocation of the GRAND ROYAL ARCH CHAPTER OF MASSACHUSETTS was held at Freemasons' Hall, Boston, Sept. 11, A.D. 1866, R.A.M. 2396.

*Present.*

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| M.E. RICHARD BRIGGS | Grand High Priest. |
| M.E. JOHN W. DADMUN | Deputy Grand High Priest. |
| E. DAVID W. CRAFTS | Grand King. |
| E. MARLBOROUGH WILLIAMS | Grand Scribe. |
| E. THEODORE H. EMMONS | Grand Captain of the Host. |
| E. LOUIS A. FELIX | Grand Royal Arch Captain. |
| E. PETER C. JONES | Grand Treasurer. |
| E. THOMAS WATERMAN | Grand Secretary. |
| E. ALFRED F. CHAPMAN | Grand Lecturer. |
| E. Rev. JOHN P. ROBINSON | Grand Chaplain. |
| E. LUTHER L. TARBELL | Grand Tyler. |

*Permanent Members.*

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| JOHN MCCLELLAN. | E. W. TOLMAN. | HENRY CHICKERING. |
| SOLON THORNTON. | WILLIAM PARKMAN. | A. A. FOTH. |
| CHARLES C. DAME. | A. A. DAME. | JOHN N. PIKE. |
| | SAMUEL MILLARD. | |

The Grand Chapter was opened in Ample Form. The records of the last Convocation read and approved.

The following Chapters were represented, viz. : —

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| ST. ANDREW'S. | THOMAS. | KING SOLOMON'S. |
| KING CYRUS. | MOUNT LEBANON. | ST. MATTHEW'S. |
| WASHINGTON. | NORTHAMPTON. | SUTTON. |
| ADONIRAM. | MOUNT HOREB. | CAMBRIDGE. |
| MORNING STAR. | ST. JOHN'S. | WALTHAM. |
| ST. PAUL'S. | SHEKINAH. | MOUNT VERNON. |
| | BERKSHIRE. | |

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E. Companion John McClellan, Chairman of the Committee of Finance, submitted the following report, which was read and accepted: —

The Committee of Finance of the Grand Royal Arch Chapter of Massachusetts, having examined the books and accounts of the Grand Treasurer for the year ending Aug. 31, 1866, beg leave to submit the following Report: —

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| It appears by the books of that officer, which your Committee find correct, that there was a balance of cash in his hands at the commencement of the year, of | $251.75 | |
| He has received for dues from thirty-three Chapters | 2,780.50 | |
| Dispensations for three new Chapters | 270.00 | |
| Interest on Investments | 373.62 | |
| Total | | $3,675.87 |

*His Disbursements have been as follows: —*

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| For Regalia | $110.00 | |
| Diplomas | 270.00 | |
| Charity | 391.25 | |
| Rent of Hall and Gas | 119.25 | |
| Printing Proceedings | 186.76 | |
| Banquet | 454.00 | |
| Expenses of Grand Officers for constituting new Chapters, visiting Chapters, and attending the triennial meeting of the General Grand Chapter of the United States at Columbus, Ohio, &c. | 1,509.92 | |
| Three shares National Bank of North America | 300.00 | |
| Sundry Bills, including Secretary's and Tyler's fees, &c. | 263.00 | $3,604.18 |
| Balance on hand | | $71.69 |

*The Property of the Grand Chapter consists of —*

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| One City of Boston 5 per cent Bond | $1,000.00 |
| Five shares Howard National Bank | 500.00 |
| Two shares North National Bank | 200.00 |
| Seven shares Eliot National Bank | 700.00 |
| Five shares Boston National Bank | 500.00 |
| Two shares First National Bank | 200.00 |
| Five shares Merchants' National Bank | 500.00 |
| Six shares National Bank of North America | 600.00 |
| Cash in hands of Grand Treasurer | 71.69 |
| Total | $4,271.69 |

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The Committee recommend the payment of fifty dollars to the Grand Secretary for his services the past year.

All of which is respectfully submitted.

JOHN McCLELLAN.
SOLON THORNTON.
HENRY ENDICOTT.

BOSTON, Sept. 11, 1866.

*Voted*, To proceed to the choice of officers for the ensuing year.

E. Companion Solon Thornton was called to the chair, who appointed E. Companions McClellan, Lewis, Robinson, Pierce, and Tyror a Committee to collect, sort, and count the votes, when the following Grand Officers were unanimously elected, viz. : —

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| M.E. BICHARD BRIGGS . . . . . | Grand High Priest. |
| M.E. CHARLES A. WELCH . . . . . | Deputy Grand High Priest. |
| E. HENRY ENDICOTT . . . . . | Grand King. |
| E. RUFUS S. POPE . . . . . | Grand Scribe. |
| E. PETER C. JONES . . . . . | Grand Treasurer. |
| E. THOMAS WATERMAN . . . . . | Grand Secretary. |

The following appointments were announced by the Grand High Priest elect, and approved by the Grand Chapter, viz. : —

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| E. THEODORE H. EMMONS, Boston . . . . | Grand Captain of the Host. |
| E. BENJAMIN LEWIS, Worcester . . . . | Grand Principal Sojourner. |
| E. C. H. NORRIS, Salem . . . . . | Grand Royal Arch Captain. |
| E. H. C. SKINNER, Milford . . . . . | Grand Master Third Veil. |
| E. CHARLES G. JACKMAN, Boston . . . . | Grand Master Second Veil. |
| E. WILLIAM GROVER, Holyoke . . . . . | Grand Master First Veil. |
| E. Rev. JOHN P. ROBINSON, Boston,<br>E. Rev. G. L. HUNT, Athol,<br>E. Rev. JOHN W. DADMUN, Boston, | Grand Chaplains. |
| E. N. A. APOLLONIO,<br>E. EBEN F. GAY, . . . . . | Grand Stewards. |
| E. ALFRED F. CHAPMAN, Boston . . . . | Grand Lecturer. |
| E. HENRY CHICKERING, Pittsfield . . . . | Com. on For. Correspondence. |

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E. JOHN MCCLELLAN,
E. SOLON THORNTON, } . . . . . Committee of Finance.
E. JOHN K. HALL,
E. WILLIAM PARKMAN,
E. SAMUEL MILLARD, } . . . . . Committee of Charity.
E. THOMAS WATERMAN,
E. LUTHER L. TARBELL . . . . . Grand Tyler.

The Grand Officers elected and appointed as above were duly installed, and the usual proclamation made by the Grand Captain of the Host.

On motion of E. Companion Chickering, it was *Voted*, That the Council of the Grand Chapter be a Committee to consider the subject of Regalia, and report at the next Convocation.

The Grand Chapter was then closed in Ample Form, with a solemn invocation to Deity.

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## STATED CONVOCATION,

DEC. 11, 1866.

A STATED Convocation of the GRAND ROYAL ARCH CHAPTER OF MASSACHUSETTS was convened at Freemasons' Hall, Boston, on Tuesday evening, Dec. 11, A.D. 1866, R.A.M. 2396.

*Present.*

M.E. RICHARD BRIGGS . . . . . Grand High Priest.
M.E. CHARLES A. WELCH . . . . . Deputy Grand High Priest.
E. HENRY ENDICOTT . . . . . Grand King.
E. RUFUS S. POPE . . . . . Grand Scribe.
E. THEODORE H. EMMONS . . . . . Grand Captain of the Host.
E. BENJAMIN LEWIS . . . . . Grand Principal Sojourner.
E. CHARLES G. JACKMAN . . . . . Grand Royal Arch Captain.
E. JOHN P. ROBINSON,
E. JOHN W. DADMUN, } . . . . . Grand Chaplains.
E. GEORGE L. HUNT,

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| E. Alfred F. Chapman | Grand Lecturer. |
| E. Luther L. Tarbell | Grand Tyler. |
| E. Peter C. Jones | Grand Treasurer. |
| E. Thomas Waterman | Grand Secretary. |

*Permanent Members.*

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| John McClellan. | John N. Pike. | Abraham A. Dame. |
| Solon Thornton. | Samuel Millard. | George Talbot. |
| Wyzeman Marshall. | Henry Chickering. | M. Williams. |
| Ebenezer W. Tolman. | James Kimball. | D. W. Crafts. |

The Grand Chapter was opened in Ample Form. The record of the last Convocation read and approved.

The following Chapters were represented: —

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| St. Andrew's. | Mount Lebanon. | Mystic. |
| King Cyrus. | Northampton. | Sutton. |
| Washington. | St. John's. | Cambridge. |
| Adoniram. | Orient. | Waltham. |
| Morning Star. | Berkshire. | Mount Vernon. |
| St. Paul's. | Keystone. | Corinthian. |
| Thomas. | Pilgrim. | Union. |
| | Waverly. | |

Rev. and E. Companion Rufus S. Pope, Grand Scribe elect, and E. Companion Chas. G. Jackman, Grand Master Second Veil elect, were duly installed by the M.E. Grand High Priest.

*Voted*, That the thanks of this Grand Chapter be tendered to E. Companion A. F. Chapman, the Grand Lecturer, and his assistants, for the able and satisfactory manner in which they have exhibited the work this day on the several degrees.

A petition was presented, signed by George J. Sanger, Daniel Dorchester, Fred. T. Chase, Hiram Allen, Elisha Chase, James Chadwick, Wyman E. Phettyplace, George H. Jenks, Edward F. Smith, J. Hethrington, Jr., E. W. Bardwell, Henry Boyden, Thomas D. Shumway, and Moses Buffum, praying for leave to open and hold a Chapter of Royal Arch Masons in the town of Webster, to be called Webster Royal Arch Chapter.

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This petition was referred to a Committee, consisting of E. Companions Chapman, Lewis, and Upton, who subsequently submitted the following report: —

The Committee to whom was referred the petition aforesaid, recommend that the prayer of the petitioners be granted.

A. F. CHAPMAN.
BENJAMIN LEWIS.
DANIEL UPTON.

E. Companions Charles A. Welch, Henry Chickering, and Peter C. Jones were appointed a Committee to correspond with King Solomon's Chapter, and notify its officers that unless they comply with the requirements of the Grand Constitution, on or before the next quarterly Convocation, their Charter will be forfeited.

A Committee was appointed consisting of E. Companions Chapman, Thornton, and Welch, to procure a new plate for Diplomas.

The Grand Chapter was then closed in Ample Form.

Attest:

THOMAS WATERMAN,
*Grand Secretary.*



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# REPORT ON FOREIGN CORRESPONDENCE.

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# REPORT ON FOREIGN CORRESPONDENCE.

*To the M.E. Grand Royal Arch Chapter of the Commonwealth of Massachusetts.*

The COMMITTEE ON FOREIGN CORRESPONDENCE herewith present their Fourth Annual Report for the year 1866.

We have examined the Proceedings of fourteen Grand Chapters, viz.: —

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| Arkansas | November | 1865 | Kentucky | October | 1865 |
| Alabama | December | 1865 | Louisiana | February | 1866 |
| Canada | August | 1865 | Mississippi | January | 1866 |
| Connecticut | May | 1866 | New York | February | 1865 |
| Florida | June | 1866 | North Carolina | June | 1865 |
| Illinois | October | 1865 | Rhode Island | August | 1864–65 |
| Indiana | May | 1866 | Vermont | October | 1865 |

And the General Grand Chapter of the United States.

We have presented from the several addresses of the Grand High Priests, and from the legislative action of the several Grand Bodies, such extracts as seemed to your Committee beneficial and instructive, as to the true condition of Capitular Masonry in the several jurisdictions.

## ARKANSAS.

The Annual Convocation of this State was holden in the city of Little Rock on the 2d of November, 1865, M.E. L. E. Barber, Grand High Priest presiding, with a representation from nine Chapters.

There was no address from the Grand High Priest, and the only business that appears to have been transacted was the election and installation of its officers.

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The Committee on Returns reported upon the condition of nine out of twenty-four Chapters under this jurisdiction. From the small number of returns reported, we are unable to form an estimate of the standing of Royal Arch Masonry in Arkansas.

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| Nine Chapters report | 470 members. |
| " " " | 168 exaltations. |
| " " " | 30 deaths. |

Twenty-four candidates rejected, and fifty-one dimitted.

The name and location of twenty-four Chapters and two U.D. are given.

M.E. L. E. Barber was re-elected Grand High Priest, and T. D. Merrick, of Little Rock, Grand Secretary. [Since the publication of the Proceedings, the Grand Secretary, T. D. Merrick, has been removed by death, and the Grand High Priest has appointed Companion W. D. Blocher to fill the vacancy.]

## ALABAMA.

The Grand Royal Arch Chapter of this State held its thirty-ninth Annual Convocation in the city of Montgomery on the 5th of December, 1865. M.E. James B. Harrison, Grand High Priest, presiding, with a representation from thirty-three Chapters.

The Grand High Priest, in his annual address, takes occasion to speak of the sad trials which they have been called upon to pass through since their last Convocation; we should do injustice to his remarks unless we present the opening portion entire. He says: —

"Another year has passed, and we are again permitted to meet within these consecrated walls in Grand Convocation, — not, however, without feelings of pleasure mingled with sorrow; with pleasure, that a kind Providence has preserved our lives amidst the many dangers we have passed through, and now permits us to grasp each other's hand with a cordiality that imparts a thrill of joy known and felt only in the heart of a true Mason; with sorrow, that many, very many, who formerly mingled with us in these occasions will meet with us no more; the hand we once grasped with such joyous greeting now lies mouldering in the dust; the eyes that sparkled with animation are now closed in death; their spirits have ascended to God.

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"While we bow submissively to the will of Him who doeth all things well, and while we sympathize with friends and relatives, let us indulge the hope that our loss of companions beloved, has been their gain; that they have been admitted into, and now enjoy, the glories of the Second Temple, that house not made with hands, eternal in the heavens, the mysteries of which, death, as the key, alone can unlock.

"Previous to our last Convocation, the Southern portion of our jurisdiction had not felt or experienced the horrors of war in all its bearings; since which, we too have been made its victims. Wherever the army penetrated, the country was devastated; atrocities of every kind were committed; many were reduced to want; and now the crumbling walls, the isolated chimneys of our once happy dwellings are but monumental evidences of how well the work of destruction was executed. Again, after the cessation of hostilities, crops that had been just planted were abandoned, some in part, others altogether; some were left only for a time through want of labor; a large portion of these that were worked were not properly cultivated, and the yield was, therefore, very short. I speak not of these things politically, but simply to impress your minds with the present condition of our people, and the want and distress that must inevitably follow. Many of our companions and brethren have returned home after years of suffering in the army or in prisons. They return with impaired health and broken constitutions; many of them maimed and crippled for life, utterly incapable of physical labor. They returned to find the little property upon which they depended for a support for their families and for themselves all gone — all destroyed, and such are now dependent upon the charity of friends. Again, an equally distressing picture is presented by the widows and orphans of our gallant soldiery; they have been made so by the chances of war, and are now left destitute, and without even a protector, by its cruel and destructive hand. Among these, doubtless, will be found many who are the widows and orphans of companions and brothers beloved. They are widows and orphans who are to find in every true-hearted Mason a friend that sticketh closer than a brother. In view of these facts, and the situation of our people, if ever there was a time when Masons should practise the beautiful tenets of our Order, as taught in our Lodges and Chapters, that time is now. Let us begin the work immediately. Let us take counsel together, and see if some means cannot be devised by which timely assistance can be rendered, and thus a large amount of privation and suffering be, if not entirely relieved, so ameliorated as to avoid a want of the necessities of bare subsistence. By a firm, persistent, and united effort on our part we can go still further, and comfortably feed, clothe,

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and educate many of these wards of Masonry, to whom we stand in the relation of guardians. Under these circumstances, Companions, I deem this the most important Convocation ever held by this Grand Chapter, and recommend this whole subject to your most thoughtful consideration."

The Grand High Priest also alludes to what he fears may have had a demoralizing effect on the conduct of Royal Arch Masons, and suggests the remedy: —

"When you return home, institute the proper proceedings; no matter how influential he may be, no matter how high his social position, no matter how *bright* he may be considered, cut him off, purge your Chapter, remove the incubus, thereby doing and fulfilling your whole duty to the whole body of Masonry; for I assure you that such will only mar and soil the work, and cannot assist in the noble and glorious undertaking of preparing their fellow-man for a reception into the Holy of Holies. It is far better that your membership should be small and of the proper material, than to have your temple crowded with rubbish."

Allusion is made to the meeting of the General Grand Royal Arch Chapter of the United States at Columbus, and of the action of the Grand Chapter of Alabama in 1860, when it was resolved with great unanimity to dissolve their connection with the General Grand Chapter, and he then says: —

"I will make no suggestions as to the reasons which prompted the course, but submit the subject for your consideration, with the remark, that as Masons we should contribute every thing in our power to allay and soothe every unpleasant feeling which may be ever thought to exist masonically between the North and the South. Although we may have suffered as Masons, let there be no criminations or recriminations; let us pour oil upon the troubled waters; let us obliterate the past, and act only as become Masons. Masonry knows no North, no South, no East, no West."

Charters and Dispensations were granted to six new Chapters. The Grand Secretary reports: —

"That Capitular Masonry seems to be reviving within our jurisdiction, and that the zeal of the Companions is urging them to labors more devotedly beneath the Royal Arch. We are now directing our cause from a new point, and within a few years we may hope to come up to our former standard of prosperity."

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The Grand Secretary, as the Committee on Foreign Correspondence, presented his Report reviewing the proceedings of seven Grand Chapters, all that he had received. He alludes with much feeling to some remarks in some of the proceedings which have reached him, but, as we trust "that old things have passed away," let it be the endeavor of every true Companion to labor for the spread of that true Masonic Charity "that thinketh no evil."

In closing his Report the Committee remarks: —

"In the proceedings which have been reviewed, a great deal is said about the principles of the Order, their general tendency; the good and tender and kind and brotherly and forbearing and patient spirit which they are calculated to produce among the votaries of Masonry. How far they have had this effect among our Companions outside of the late Confederacy we are not now in a situation to judge. We have not seen their proceedings for the last four years, and, therefore, we do not know what they have said about us, or what they have done in regard to us, or in what light they consider the Masons in the seceded States.

"We know that many individual instances have occurred on the battle-field, where the gory streams ran free and far, — where the deep cannon rivalled the dread artillery of Heaven, — and in the dreary prison, where the luckless soldier pined in hunger and nakedness, — and under the cruelties of unfeeling wretches, who scarce deserved the name of men, and who were of nearer kin to the brutes than to humanity, in which the principles of our Order have actuated and controlled their professors; where the naked have been clothed, the hungry and famishing relieved, the pining and disconsolate cheered; where the heart-broken has had the oil of gladness poured into his bosom, and, perhaps, even life itself has occasionally been spared when it might lawfully have been taken. But whether these principles have actuated the Masons of the other States as bodies, whether they have had any controlling influence over them as legislators for Grand Lodges, Grand Chapters, Grand Councils, and Grand Encampments, that is *the* question, and that question we are not now in a condition to decide. We must wait, then, until we get the proceedings of the last four years of these bodies before we can determine their *animus* toward their brethren of the South. We must know what their Grand High Priests have said about us in their annual addresses; what resolutions they have passed; and how they have talked about us in their reports on Foreign Correspondence. These are the touchstones by which they must be tried, the criteria by which they must be judged, the fires through which they must pass.



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And if they come out of them unscathed, with their garments whole, and no scent of the flames upon their robes, then are they Masons indeed; then are they brothers of the heart; then may we take them to our bosoms with perfect joy, and full confidence in their masonic uprightness and integrity. But if they cannot stand this ordeal, if they cannot pass over these red-hot ploughshares with unburnt feet, if they cannot plunge their bared arms into this hissing and seething caldron and draw them forth again whole and sound as before, then it is useless and absurd to talk about fraternal ties and brotherly love among Northern Masons; the jewels they wore about their necks are but brilliant and unmeaning gewgaws, and the sooner they are cast out and buried among the rubbish of the temple, never again to be exhumed by the workmen from among the ruins, and brought up as discoveries fit for inspection, the better for the fraternity everywhere, and especially in Southern jurisdictions."

The following resolutions were adopted: —

"*Resolved*, That this Grand Chapter heartily reciprocates the expressions of brotherly love and kindness set forth in the proceedings of various Grand Chapters North, as we learn from the Committee on Foreign Correspondence.

"*Resolved*, That it is the sincere desire of this Grand Body to cultivate the feelings of brotherly love and charity towards our Companions wherever dispersed."

The chief business of the Convocation was confined to local matters relating principally to the reorganizing and reviving of Chapters that have been lifeless during the last four years.

M.E. James B. Harrison was re-elected Grand High Priest, and E. Daniel Sayre Grand Secretary.

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| Number of Chapters . . . . . | 61 |
| ,, ,, Members . . . . . | 2,083 |

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## CANADA.

The eighth Annual Convocation of the Grand Royal Arch Chapter of Canada was held in the town of Prescott on Tuesday, the 8th of August, 1865. The M.E. T. Douglas Harrington, Grand Z., presiding.

Seventeen out of twenty-two Chapters belonging to this jurisdiction were represented.

The address of the M.E. Z. was confined to a report of his doings for the past year; he congratulates the Grand Chapter that the "Subordinate Chapters are prospering and working in harmony."

The Committee on the revision of the Grand Constitution made their report, which, after mature consideration, was adopted, and is presented with the transactions of the Annual Convocation.

The Reports of the Grand Superintendents of Districts also speak in the most encouraging manner of the prosperity of the Chapters under their immediate supervision.

The Report on Foreign Correspondence, by Comp. James Seymour, presents a review of sixteen Grand Chapters, Massachusetts included, and we avail ourselves of his labors to present a portion of a very interesting communication made to the Grand Chapter of Scotland by the Grand Chapter of England upon a proposition made by the former for an interchange of representatives.

The English Grand Body thus explains why the proposal cannot be complied with: —

"That as regards an interchange of representatives, this Grand Chapter desires to explain, that in England the Holy Royal Arch is considered as supplemental to, and forming the completion of the Master Mason's Degree, and consequently all interchange of representatives between the supreme masonic authority in England and the other countries has been and is confined to the Grand Lodge; and this Grand Chapter, having no representative at or from any other Grand Chapter, is of opinion that it would be undesirable at present to depart from its usual practice."

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A lengthy Committee Report is given "with reference to the status and position of the degree of Mark Masters of England and Wales, especially with its working under the jurisdiction of the Grand Lodge of Mark Masters of England, Wales, and the Colonies and Possessions of the British Crown." This Report arises from the application of the so-called Grand Lodge of Mark Masters for recognition by the Grand Chapter of Scotland as the head of the Order in England, though it is ignored by the Grand Chapter and the Grand Lodge of that country. After narrating a variety of historical facts, connected with the working of the Mark Degree in Symbolic Lodges from time immemorial down to 1856, when the Grand Mark Lodge was formed, the Report states that the Grand Chapter and Grand Lodge of Scotland appointed joint committees to place the degree on a proper footing, which they did in a series of resolutions, still in force, as follows: —

"1. That all Lodges under the Grand Lodge of Scotland shall be allowed to work the Mark Degree, in virtue of the charters they already possess.

"2. That to prevent confusion with brethren belonging to Lodges out of this Kingdom, or with sister Grand Lodges, this degree, although held to be a second part of the F. C. Degree, shall only be conferred on Master Masons, and the secrets shall only be communicated in presence of those who have taken it, either from a Lodge or Chapter entitled to grant it.

"3. That the Grand Lodge and Grand Chapter of Scotland shall adopt the same ritual in conferring the degree, being that now adjusted by their respective committees.

"4. That any candidate applying for the Royal Arch Degree, if he has received the Mark in a regular Lodge, shall not be required to take it a second time from the Chapter in which he seeks admission; but if he has not received it, he shall be obliged to take it from a Chapter.

"5. That in the Royal Arch Degrees, the Mark shall be reckoned as the fourth degree in Masonry.

"6. That nothing in these regulations shall interfere with the superintendence of Mark Masonry out of Scotland, claimed by the Grand Chapter, or with Lodges holding of it in England or abroad."

The Report further states: —

"That the Mark Degree, whether viewed separately or as a part of

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the F. C. Degree, is now recognized and worked in Ireland, Scotland, Canada, and all the Grand Lodges and Chapters of the United States, — England being the only country in which the English is spoken where the Degree is not recognized either by Grand Lodges or Chapters."

The position assumed by England in relation to this Degree is thus set forth : —

"In England, the working of the Mark Degree has been more or less in abeyance, its estimation varying according to circumstances. In the Colonies, much difficulty has arisen from the establishment of Lodges under different jurisdictions, some recognizing the Degree, and others ignoring it. To remedy this state of things, and to restore the Degree to its rightful position in the masonic system, an attempt was made to obtain its recognition by the Grand Lodge of England; and a joint committee of members of that Grand Lodge and of the Grand Chapter was appointed to investigate and report upon the subject. They reported the Mark Degree as in their opinion not positively essential, but a graceful appendage to the F. C. Degree; which report was approved by the M. W. G. M., and unanimously adopted by the Grand Lodge in March, 1856. At the ensuing Quarterly Meeting, that portion of the previous minutes referring to the Mark Degree, on special motion, was non-confirmed, and the *status in quo ante* was resumed.

"In this position of affairs the committee did not feel justified in recommending the recognition of the Grand Mark Lodge, or the recall of the Mark Warrants issued by the Grand Chapter of Scotland, but they urged that steps be taken to secure the concurrence of the Grand Chapter and Lodge of England in placing the Mark Degree upon the same footing as it is in Ireland, Scotland, Canada, and America. Should the Grand Bodies of England agree to this, the committee express their willingness to annul the Mark Warrants issued by their Grand Chapter, which would in effect remove the recall for the so-called Grand Mark Lodge."

The Report was adopted, and a memorial prepared, as suggested, to the Grand Chapter and Lodge of England, —

"Hoping that some arrangement may be made which will have the effect of bringing about a similarity of working in the two jurisdictions, which, from their close proximity, is much to be desired; and that, in this way the proper place may be assigned to the Mark Degree in the Degrees of Masonry."

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Copies of this memorial are also to be sent to the Grand Chapters and Lodges of Ireland and Canada, and to all Scotch Mark Lodges.

We have devoted more space to these communications, because it seems to settle an historical fact in relation to the true status of Royal Arch Masonry upon its first introduction and establishment in this country, that these degrees were then legitimately worked under the "blue" Lodge Charters of St. Andrew's, in Boston, in 1769, and St. John's No. 3, in Philadelphia, in 1758.

The American system of work and organization having been so generally adopted, it may be hoped that *all causes* of difference between the several jurisdictions may be removed, so that the most perfect *equality* may exist between all Royal Arch Masons, wherever convened.

The Committee on Foreign Correspondence, in closing their Report, give a well-timed caution, saying: —

"Let our rulers and Companions never forget that Masonry, unlike the many ephemeral organisms which have briefly existed and then perished, needs not the same doctoring and manipulation; that it has withstood the shock of ages, and the ruthless persecutions of bigotry and fanaticism; and that, as our venerated forefathers handed it down to us in purity and perfection, so should we jealously guard it from empirical innovation, and transmit it to the latest posterity in all its pristine grandeur."

M.E. Companion T. Douglas Harrington was re-elected Grand Z.; and Thomas Bird Harris, Grand Scribe.

Number of Chapters not given. Returns were made from fifteen Chapters, with a membership of eight hundred and forty-six.

## CONNECTICUT.

The Annual Convocation of the Grand Royal Arch Chapter of the State of Connecticut was holden in the city of New Haven, on the eighth day of May, 1866. M.E. Luke A. Lockwood, Grand High Priest, presiding.

The M.E. Grand High Priest presented his Annual Address, being a Report of his official acts and observations for the past year.

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From this Address we learn that three Dispensations were granted for Chapters during the past year.

He also reports: —

"That peace and harmony prevail throughout our Chapters, and that never has so great an interest been manifested in Capitular Masonry as now exists. It may also be gratifying to you to know that the work of this Grand Chapter is eagerly sought after by enlightened and skilful workmen throughout the United States; that it is adopted by the Grand Chapter of New Jersey, and that it is performed by one or more Chapters in nearly all the Northern States."

We commend to particular notice the views expressed by the Grand High Priest in relation to the duties of the members of the Grand Council, and to the practical application of his views. He remarks: —

"Immediately after the close of our last Annual Convocation, believing that the officers of this Grand Body should not be mere useless recipients of honorable titles, but should meet with the officers and members of Subordinate Chapters for their instruction and encouragement, I apportioned and assigned the Chapters to the R.E. Deputy Grand High Priest, E. Grand King, and E. Grand Scribe for visitation. They have been zealous and untiring in the discharge of this important duty, as will appear by their Reports herewith transmitted. The present flourishing condition and bright prospects of Royal Arch Masonry in this State are due principally to their faithful and energetic efforts."

We quote the views of the Grand High Priest on the "uniformity of work." He remarks: —

"We hear much about uniformity of work, and efforts have been made in many Grand Bodies to legislate particular rituals upon subordinates. All edicts are important to effect the object proposed. Masons will not do work which they do not love. The sword never yet changed belief or created affection. True, uniformity is very desirable; but this consists not so much in uniformity of language, — the mere vehicle of ideas, — as in uniformity of symbolism, of doctrine, and of principles. Do we not too often quibble about words and forget teachings, grasp at forms and neglect substance, and sometimes destroy charity, the greatest of all virtues, in stickling for mere words? Of course there are essentials, which are landmarks, and which must be

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preserved in all languages and among all Masons, to secure the universality, nay more, the existence of Masonry. Yet there are many non-essentials, which are the mere stagings for the erection of the Royal Arch, and form no part whatever of the beautiful support. Now some latitude in the use of this scaffolding must be permitted, so long as the Arch is constructed agreeably to the design laid down upon the trestle-board, and all attempts to restrict this discretion of masonic instructors only tend to cramp the intellect, and draw the attention to words instead of ideas. Show a zealous and intelligent Mason 'good work,' becoming to the dignity, and elevating the standard of manhood, — 'true work,' consistent with tradition and history, — and 'square work,' agreeing with the ancient landmarks of Masonry, and the whole system of its sublime symbolism, and you will need no edict to compel him to perform it; his judgment will approve it, and his affections will cluster around it. Let me not be misunderstood. The essential landmarks of Royal Arch Masonry must be preserved, and this Grand Body is their lawful, authorized, and competent conservator within this jurisdiction.

"Excessive legislation is a common and growing evil of the age. It has entered Masonic Grand Bodies; it is full time our attention should be directed to the crying evil. The ancient landmarks are the axiomatic, fundamental principles of our jurisprudence. They are plain and concise, easily comprehended, and readily applied. They cover, also, the whole essential ground of Masonry, and a thorough knowledge of them, and a fair acquaintance with the design of our institution, are sure guides to the solution of almost, if not all questions which may arise. Laws should be few, easily understood, and brought home to the knowledge of all their subjects. I fear the legal maxim, 'Ignorance of the law excuses no one,' however expedient it may be in civil governments, is hardly applicable to Masonry of the present day. Each session seems to strive to invent new laws and regulations, unmindful or ignorant of what the law really is; and thus we have rules and edicts innumerable scattered over pages of proceedings, and often entirely inconsistent with themselves and with each other, so that he who reads the most of them will know the least of Masonic Jurisprudence. Let there be as little legislation over subordinates as is compatible with general good order, and leave to them the management of the rest, so long as they violate no ancient landmark. The officers and members of the subordinates will not be found wanting. Common sense, good judgment, charitable dispositions, and love for our ancient Order, are not the exclusive prerogatives of Grand Officers or Grand Bodies, but the common inheritance of all good and true Masons."

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The Reports of the members of the Grand Council accompanies the Report of the Grand High Priest, and from them we learn that every Chapter under this jurisdiction has been visited, and their work inspected by the Grand Officers. This division of labor in the visiting of Chapters is the true way to insure a successful performance of this too often omitted duty; the influence growing out of these visits are often the means of awakening sluggish Chapters to a new sense of duty, and of correcting errors which *will* creep into the work of Bodies that have not the means of correcting it themselves from the want of a true standard of instruction.

The Committee on Foreign Correspondence presented their Annual Report reviewing the proceedings of nine Grand Chapters; we notice that no Report has been received from any Chapter in New England, — either proving that the mails are not very reliable, or our Grand Secretaries are very forgetful. In our own case, Massachusetts' Reports were mailed by the Grand Secretary, as well as ourselves, yet none appear to have been received. Most of the Reports received are on our files.

M.E. Luke A. Lockwood was re-elected Grand High Priest; and John W. Paul, Grand Secretary.

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| Number of Chapters . . . . . | 25 |
| ,, ,, Exaltations . . . . . | 313 |
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## FLORIDA.

The M.E. Grand Chapter of the State of Florida convened at the Masonic Hall in the city of Tallahasse on the 8th of January, 1866. M.E. David Jones, Grand High Priest, presiding, and a due representation of Subordinate Chapters.

The Grand High Priest delivered his Annual Address, from which we make a single extract: —

"In looking back over the past, we see much to lament; but let us with hopeful hearts look forward to the future, trusting that the new year may bring peace to the wounded heart, and happiness to the now desolate home. Many of our Worthy Brothers and Companions have



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been swept away by the violent and ruthless hand of war, while others have been removed from among us by the hand of disease since last we met. Among the number who have gone to receive the welcome plaudit of our Supreme Grand High Priest in heaven, is our much loved Companion Hon. William A. Forward, High Priest of Jacksonville Chapter No. 12.

"In the death of Companion Forward, we have lost one of our brightest and most useful members. Let us imitate his masonic virtues and Christian example, and so perform our work on earth as to meet him again in that Temple above, where our bonds of fraternal affection can never more be disturbed.

"Companions, I congratulate you on the return of peace to our once happy and prosperous country. May its blessings and influences soon be felt and seen to pervade every department of our Order."

The business transacted was confined to their own local matters, nothing of interest to those outside of their jurisdiction.

A very interesting Report from the Committee on Foreign Correspondence reviewing the proceedings of ten Grand Chapters and three Grand Councils of R. and S. Masters was presented. We present the remarks of the Committee upon the question, "Whether it is masonic to confer the Chapter Degrees upon a maimed Mason." This question we have discussed in our former Reports, but as the views of the Committee are so clear and as this question is one of importance we present it again.

The Committee say: —

"But our sympathies should not control our judgment. It is deplorable to witness the prevailing desire among Masons to break down the most clearly defined and distinctly pointed landmarks of our ancient and time-honored institution, and which distinguishes us from all other associations. But I regard this not as a question with which the Royal Arch Chapter has any thing to do; indeed it is a question solely confined to the E. A. Degree. "Only candidates may know that no Master should take an apprentice unless he has sufficient employment for him, and unless he be a perfect youth, having no maim or defect about his body that may render him incapable of learning the art of serving his Master's Lord, and of being made a Brother and then a Fellow Craft" in due time, that so when otherwise qualified he may arrive to the honor of being the Warden, and then the Master of the Lodge, the Grand Warden, and at length the Grand Master of all the Lodges, according to his merit.

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"I have observed that some writers on Masonic Law deny that the E. A. has a *right* to the subsequent Degrees. I contend that he has not only the right, but that it is his duty to take them, if he has *merit*, and is otherwise qualified and able to receive them; that he may travel and work and earn wages. But as a candidate cannot be made a Mason by proxy, he must be worthy and well qualified in his own person to receive and perform all the rites and ceremonies pertaining to the degree, and to communicate them. And as there can be no general rule laid down on the subject, each individual case must depend upon its own merits. Every Royal Arch Mason must know that a man deprived of a leg or an arm cannot be made a Royal Arch Mason. We have the law, let us abide by it.

"The Report of the Committee of Jurisprudence of Indiana we regard as conclusive on this much agitated question."

M.E. David Jones was re-elected Grand High Priest; and E. Hugh A. Corley re-elected Grand Secretary.

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| Whole number of Chapters . . . . . | 15 |
| Eight Chapters return — Members . . . . . | 396 |
| ,, ,, ,, Exaltations . . . . | 58 |

Seven Chapters make no returns.

## ILLINOIS.

The sixteenth Annual Convocation of the Grand Royal Arch Chapter of Illinois convened at Masonic Hall in the city of Springfield, on the sixth day of October, A.I. 2395. M.E. Wiley M. Egan, Grand High Priest, presiding.

Fifty-five Chapters were represented at the opening of the Grand Chapter.

The Address of the Grand High Priest was confined to a retrospect of his official doings for the past year. In informing the Grand Chapter of the death of several of the Past Officers, he remarks: —

"That there are some vacant places, — some familiar faces, who were with us not many years ago, and who were with us in spirit at our last Annual Convocation, are not here to-day. They have gone out from among us to return no more forever. Death, the grand messenger

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who respects not age, time, or place or position, has summoned them to the Sanctum Sanctorum above.

"M.E. W. B. Warren, Past Grand High Priest, and the first Grand High Priest of this Commonwealth, departed from his labors in this life at Jacksonville, to his rest in the Grand Chapter on high, on the twelfth day of April, 1865.

"M.E. W. W. Mitchell, Past Grand High Priest, departed this life at Chicago, on the eighth day of April, at the age of forty-one years, four months, eleven days.

"E. James L. Anderson, Past Grand Secretary, died at his residence in Rushville, Aug. 13, 1865, aged fifty-four years."

The following resolutions were adopted: —

"*Resolved*, That a special Committee of three be appointed, with instructions to prepare an appropriate burial-service for the use of Chapters of Royal Arch Masons, and report the same to the next Annual Convocation of the Grand Chapter."

In Massachusetts we hold that the service at the burial of a brother (no matter what his position in Masonry) should be under the direction of a Master Mason's Lodge; this is in accordance with the Ancient Landmarks, as we understand them. At the grave we should all stand upon the same level, avoiding all distinctions inconsistent with the spirit of Masonry.

"*Resolved*, That the Grand Chapter appropriate the sum of one hundred dollars to M.E. Albert G. Mackey, of South Carolina, Past Grand High Priest, in consideration of his faithfulness to his masonic obligations, his contributions, personal attention, medical services, and cordial sympathy in behalf of sick, wounded, and destitute Masons from Illinois and from all other parts of our National Union, while prisoners at Charleston, and beyond the reach of their brethren, relatives, and friends.

"*Resolved*, That the thanks of this Grand Chapter be tendered to our M.E. Companion for his self-sacrifices and devotion to the cause of humanity, mercy, and Masonry."

The Committee on Foreign Correspondence presented a very full Report, reviewing in a true masonic spirit the proceedings of fifteen Grand Chapters, our own included. We should like to make some extracts, but our limits will not permit.

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The M.E. Loyal E. Munn was elected Grand High Priest; and E. Harman G. Reynolds re-elected Grand Secretary.

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| Number of Chapters | 71 | with 3,077 | members |
| ,, ,, ,, U.D. | 17 | ,, 300 | ,, |
| ,, ,, Exaltations . . . | | 916 | |

## INDIANA.

The Annual Communication of this State convened in the city of Indianapolis, on the twenty-third day of May, 1866. M.E. Thomas Pattison, Grand High Priest, presiding.

A constitutional number of Chapters being duly represented, the Grand Chapter opened for the dispatch of business.

From the Address of the Grand High Priest, we learn that he has granted Dispensations for seven new Chapters, all of which have been organized. He further reports: —

"That Royal Arch Masonry was never more popular, nor in a more prosperous condition in this State than at the present time."

No business of general interest to the Royal Craft outside of this jurisdiction was transacted.

The Committee on Foreign Correspondence, the M.E. Grand High Priest, presented his Report, noting the proceedings of ten Grand Chapters, one not having been received. The Committee say: —

"That it affords them great pleasure to be able to report that our beloved Order is in the most flourishing condition, excepting where broken up and scattered by the late lamentable war; even here our old Companions are coming together, clearing off the rubbish, and vigorously preparing to rebuild the glorious old structure.

"May the time soon come when we shall renew all our former fraternal and cordial relations, which marked our intercourse in days gone by."

We are indebted to Companion Pattison for the following notice of a regulation in relation to the Degree of Past Master adopted by the Grand Chapter of California: —

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"The Degree of Past Master must be conferred upon all candidates who have previously had the Degree conferred upon them in a Convocation of Past Masters, by virtue of an election to preside over a Lodge of Free and Accepted Masons.

"We hold that if the brother has presided over a Lodge, and has been *legally* installed, that is all that should be required. This was the *Ancient* requirement, and the less legislation we have upon this Degree the better."

A Select Committee was appointed to take into consideration the connection of the Grand Chapter of Indiana with the General Grand Chapter of the United States, reported against a longer connection with that Body, thinking that if the amendments now proposed are adopted by the General Grand Chapter, the utility and usefulness of State Grand Chapters will be superseded and destroyed. And they say: —

"In view of these things, and in order to save expense and keep the government of the Craft as near the membership as possible, your Committee would offer for adoption the following resolution: —

"*Resolved*, That the Grand Chapter of Royal Arch Masons of the State of Indiana will take no further part in the proceedings and deliberations of the General Grand Chapter of the United States, and whatever connection, either real or supposed, which we as a Grand Chapter may have with that General Grand Body be, and the same is, hereby dissolved."

M.E. Thomas Newby, of Cambridge City, was elected Grand High Priest; and E. Companion William Harker, of Shelbyville, re-elected Grand Secretary.

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| Number of Chapters . . . . . | 51 | |
| ,, ,, ,, U.D . . . . . | 8 | |
| ,, ,, Members reported . . . . . | 1,923 | |
| Increase the last year . . . . . | 290 | |
| Amount paid for mileage and per diem of members of Grand Chapter, (two days,) about . . . . | | $950 |

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## KENTUCKY.

The Annual Communication of the Grand Royal Arch Chapter of Kentucky was held at Louisville, on the eleventh day of October, 1865. The M.E. William E. Robinson, Grand High Priest, presiding, with a representation from forty-nine Chapters.

The Grand High Priest addressed the Grand Chapter, referring to the duties devolving upon them as Royal Arch Masons: —

"To aid in the great work of reconciliation, and that they should extend the hand of fraternal love and affection to all that desire to discharge their masonic duties without any other inquiry than, 'are they worthy and well qualified?' Then shall we have peace and harmony throughout our borders."

In speaking of the great prosperity that has attended their labors during the past year, he gives them a timely caution, saying: —

"Yet in this hour of prosperity we should not forget to guard well the *Outer Courts*, and, in the language of a distinguished Companion, not permit our *fervency* and *zeal* to outrun our prudence. We should be careful to select the *best* material, not *collect* the greatest amount; and emulation should point to the enterprise of *work well done*, rather than to a *great deal of work*."

Eight Chapters having failed to make returns for the last five years, their charters were revoked, and Dispensations were granted for five new Chapters.

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| The Funds of the Grand Chapter amount to . . . | $8,134.27 |
| Whole number of Chapters . . . . . | 71 |
| ,, ,, ,, Members . . . . . | 2,053 |
| ,, ,, ,, Exaltations . . . . . | 543 |

The Committee on Foreign Correspondence presented a condensed Report, noting the proceedings of sixteen Grand Chapters, Massachusetts included.

M.E. Companion Harvey Hudson, of Louisville, was elected Grand High Priest; and E. Companion Phillip Swigert re-elected Grand Secretary.

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## LOUISIANA.

The nineteenth Annual Convocation of this State was holden in the city of New Orleans, on the thirteenth day of February, 1866. M.E. Henry R. Swasey, Grand High Priest, presiding.

Eight Chapters were reported as being represented at the opening of the Grand Chapter.

The M.E. Grand High Priest delivered his Annual Address, saying: —

"After the lapse of several years, we are again permitted to assemble from all of the different sections of our loved Louisiana, on this our Annual Communication Day, and through the mercies of T. G. A. O. T. U., we are allowed again to sit together within the veils of our sanctuary in Grand Council, to renew our care over the many interests of Capitular Masonry, to interchange once more our kindly congratulations, and reciprocate those fraternal feelings which we as Royal Arch Masons so well know how to enjoy; and allow me, Companions, on this occasion, to join with you in offering up our devotions around our sacred altar, and unite in humble submission and grateful tranksgiving to the Supreme High Priest of our salvation, for his care and protection, for the many mercies vouchsafed us during the terrible trials we have been called upon to endure. Let us take to ourselves the consolations of His Divine Word, and the teachings of our Holy Order; remembering 'that he that humbleth himself shall be exalted.' Let us endeavor so to conduct the deliberations of this Grand Body, that it may be remembered, and referred to as an example for the conduct of its constituents and members. Let us so act that we shall not with shame hereafter look back in the mirror of the past. Let us discard all party or sectional spirit. There can be in this holy place but one party, the self-sacrificing, enthusiastic Mason, who regards the prosperity of the Order paramount to all personal and selfish considerations; and I conjure you, Companions, to watch and guard against party zeal and party spirit. It is good to be zealous in the holy cause of Charity, but there is a party zeal which is fatal to the prosperity of our institution. Its results are but too often seen in the self-conceit and arrogance it assumes in those uncharitable judgments and reckless censure it bestows on all those who dissent from its views, and will not pander to its ambition, or assist in accomplishing its designs."

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He also speaks of the large amount of work done during the war, and expresses his fears that much of it was not done with that care and deliberation necessary for a proper understanding of our Ritual. He says: —

"In many, if not in a majority of cases, candidates are hurried so rapidly from one to another of the different apartments of our Mystic Temple, that they have neither time nor opportunity to prove their proficiency. Companions, this should not be. The candidate should be compelled to study, and, so far as in his capacity lies, to understand and appreciate one Degree before another is conferred. It is a wise saying, 'That what a man knows little of he cares less for;' and so with the initiate, the less instruction he receives the less he cares about studying and appreciating the beautiful moral precepts inculcated by our divine institution; and we think it would be well for this Grand Chapter to take council and inquire into the expediency of passing a regulation requiring its constituents, before conferring a Degree, to exact from the candidate an examination in the previous Degree.

"We fear the same evil exists in many a jurisdiction beside Louisiana. Our own must come in for its share of censure. With the great amount of work performed the last few years, it is impossible but there must have been many a craftsman whose work should never have passed the overseers' square, but should have been rejected, until by diligent application he might present work fit for the Master's use. We shall hail the day when our Grand Bodies will limit the amount of work to be done in any one year; then shall we be enabled to have our members Masons in understanding as well as in name."

The Grand Chapter donated to five of their subordinates the sum of $2,413, being the amount received in confederate currency for degrees and dues, which amount was due to the Grand Chapter.

Dispensations were granted for three Chapters. One each in the Parish of Bienville, Jackson, and Claiborne.

The Committee on Appeals reported, that —

"Peace and harmony prevail among all of the Chapters that we have been able to hear from; and our confidence in Divine protection gives us hope that it is so throughout the State."

The Committee on Foreign Correspondence received the proceedings of twenty-three Grand Bodies, and report: —



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"That they have been so steadily employed, since their attention has been called to the necessity of presenting a Report, that they can only present a list of the proceedings received, without attempting to give even a tithe of the interesting matters contained therein."

M.E. Henry Regenburg was elected Grand High Priest, E. Samuel M. Todd re-elected Grand Secretary.

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| Number of Chapters . . . . . | 19 |
| ,, ,, ,, U.D. . . . . | 4 |
| Thirteen Chapters Report . . . . . | 1,221 Members. |
| ,, ,, ,, . . . . . | 479 Exaltations. |
| ,, ,, ,, . . . . . | 69 Deaths. |

## MISSISSIPPI.

The eighteenth Annual Convocation of the M.E. Grand Royal Arch Chapter of this State was holden in the city of Jackson, on the eighteenth and nineteenth days of January, 1866. M.E. William D. Ferris, Grand Scribe, presiding in the absence of Grand High Priest and Grand King.

The Address of the Grand High Priest was read, from which we learn that he has granted Dispensations for two new Chapters. He also reports that the finances of the Grand Chapter are in a deplorable condition, and the subordinate Chapters are suffering from the like cause. Most of the funds received for degrees and dues were in Confederate currency, hence their impoverishment.

He calls the attention of the Grand Chapter to the present imperfect system of instruction, and recommends the appointment of one Grand Lecturer, whose duty it shall be to visit every Chapter in the State, and whose services shall be paid by the Grand Chapter, fixing a suitable salary, which shall be raised by a tax upon all of its subordinates.

In closing, he remarks: —

"The terrible war just closed has left the land full of widows and orphans. Those to whom they formerly looked for support now sleep in their bloody graves, and the eyes of their surviving loved ones are longingly turned to you. Shall they look in vain? I know they will not. To see that they are fed, clothed, and educated, you will esteem

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your duty, as well as your inestimable privilege. I urge you, Companions, and through you the Subordinate Chapters, to the discharge of this Godlike mission; by the remembrance of that munificence of our noble Order, which has so often contributed to the relief of the hungry, the naked, and the homeless; by that *Charity* which forms the brighest jewel in our Order's diadem; lastly, by the memory of our fallen companions, whose spirits, I trust, have ascended that 'mystic ladder' which leadeth to the Chapter above, I conjure you to take care of their widows and orphans."

Resolutions were passed relieving the subordinates from the payment of dues to the Grand Chapter for degrees where the same had been received in "confederate money," and also relieving Chapters from the payments of dues for the years 1863 and 1864.

The following special order from the Grand High Priest accompanies the proceedings of this State: —

"It having come to my knowledge that some subordinate Chapters are in the habit of receiving and acting upon the application of non-affiliated Master Masons for the Chapter Degrees, I would hereby apprise you that such action is unmasonic, and is hereby strictly forbidden.

WILLIAM S. PATTON,
"*Grand High Priest.*"

M.E. William S. Patton was elected Grand High Priest; and R. E. Oscar T. Keeler re-elected Grand Secretary.

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| Whole number of Chapters as reported . . . | 70 |
| Thirty-six Chapters report Members . . . . | 879 |
| ,, ,, . ,, Exaltations . . . | 460 |
| Thirty-one ,, make no returns | |
| Three ,, (U.D.) ,, ,, ,, | |

Seven Chapters reported as having forfeited their Charters.

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## NEW YORK.

The Grand Royal Arch Chapter of the State of New York convened in Temple Chapter Hall, in the city of Albany, on the sixth day of February, 1866, holding a session of three days.

M.E. Horace S. Taylor, Grand High Priest, presiding, with most of the Grand Officers in attendance, with a full representation from most of the subordinate Chapters.

The Grand High Priest, in his Annual Address, congratulates the Grand Chapter upon the unexampled prosperity that has attended their labors during the past year, and says, —

"Great as has been the addition to our numbers in former years, I believe that the returns from subordinate Chapters will show that the number of exaltations was never so large. It may be thought there is danger in this large accession to our numbers. But it should be remembered, that before uniting with us, our candidates are obliged to pass through another body, where there is an opportunity of becoming thoroughly acquainted with their characters, and that only those who have proved themselves worthy are likely to be admitted. But there is still danger that improper persons may be received, and great caution should be used to prevent it. Do not hesitate to use the power which the ballot gives, for the admission of one member who is governed by selfish or unworthy principles may destroy the harmony and usefulness of a Chapter."

The Standing Committee on Accounts submitted the following resolution, which was unanimously adopted: —

"*Resolved*, That the sum of three thousand dollars be, and the same is hereby appropriated, out of the funds of the Grand Chapter to the Trustees of the Masonic Hall and Asylum Fund."

The Committee on Warrants reported favorably on the applications of the several petitioners for nine new Chapters, and they were granted.

The Committee on Jurisprudence reported the following resolutions, which were adopted: —

"*Resolved*, That it is the sense of this Grand Chapter that any Companion in good standing in a Chapter may be elected High Priest.

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"*Resolved*, That a Chapter has no power to delegate the power of suspension, for non-payment of dues to the High Priest."

M.E. Sewall T. Fiske, Grand Lecturer, presented an interesting Report, replete with sound and judicious advice and suggestions, upon the importance of paying more attention to the proper instruction of our members in the beautiful ritual of the Chapter Degrees.

Our limits will allow us to make but a single extract: —

"For a few years past, my method of conferring the Past Master's Degree has restored it back to its legitimate use and design, and all objections hitherto wofully apparent from sad innovations have entirely ceased, much, very much, to the relief of all intelligent and well-disposed Companions; and in this connection, let me say that a portion of the Royal Arch Ritual has for some time past been with me a subject of serious reflection. I allude to the present manner of representing the return of our ancient brethren from the captivity. Could it not be exemplified with more impressiveness and with less liability to objections, if done like unto the middle-chamber work of the F. C. Degree? There is an appropriate and brief description which can be used by the P. S., which, to a listening ear, would I am sure be far more impressive, and certainly more *instructive* to the novitiate, than if that other of the human senses, *feeling*, was alone appealed to.

"In conclusion let me observe, that while the past few years have been of unusual prosperity to Capitular Masonry, and the promises of the future are equally brilliant, I join in the common fear of a too rapid growth. Then, Companions, guard well your portals; see that none are permitted to assemble within the Arch but those who are 'good men and true,' who will see in our Order not only a series of outward forms and ceremonies, but will be those who will apply to their hearts the morals of the interesting symbols, thus enabling them to stand the test of the Grand Overseer's square, and be fitly prepared as living stones for that spiritual building, — that house not made with hands, eternal in the heavens."

The Committee on Foreign Correspondence presented their Report, reviewing the proceedings of sixteen Grand Chapters, and that of the General Grand Chapter of the United States.

In concluding their Report, they say: —

"The several transactions are more brief, and there is much less legislation than usual.

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"The various Reports on Correspondence are manly, dignified, and manifest assurance that no lingering bitterness or unkind feeling will be allowed in the cement of reunion."

M.E. Horace E. Taylor was re-elected Grand High Priest; R. E. John O. Cole, of Albany, re-elected Grand Secretary.

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| Number of Chapters . . . . . | 115 |
| ,, ,, Members . . . . . | 7,566 |
| ,, ,, Exaltations . . . . . | 1,793 |
| Grand Chapter Dues . . . . . | $6,855.27 |
| Paid Attendance and Mileage at Grand Chapter Convocation . . . . . | $2,493.50 |

## NORTH CAROLINA.

We have the proceedings of the M.E. Grand Royal Arch Chapter of this State for the years 1863, '64, '65.

The seventeenth Annual Convocation was holden in Wilmington, on the sixth day of June, 1865. M.E. G. B. Waterhouse, Deputy Grand High Priest, presiding in the absence of the Grand High Priest.

The Committee on Credentials reported. Three Chapters duly represented, constituting a quorum.

The Grand Secretary being absent, the following Report from him was submitted: —

"Owing to the distracted condition of the country, the labors of the Grand Secretary, since your last Annual Convocation, have been very limited.

"The only proceedings received from sister Grand Chapters are those of Rhode Island, and they will be found of interest.

"I was unable to have the proceedings of the last Convocation printed *in extenso*, but had a brief synopsis printed, which I distributed as widely as possible under the circumstances. I respectfully recommend that all the proceedings that have not been published be printed with those of the present Convocation.

"I regret exceedingly my inability to be present with you at this

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time. Many of those whom we have been accustomed to meet at these annual reunions have fallen victims to a bloody war. I know they will be missed and remembered by you."

Communications were received from the officers of Concord and Union Royal Arch Chapters, stating that the charters, books, jewels, furniture, &c., of every description, had been destroyed by the Federal Army whilst in occupancy or on its march through the State.

The Committee on Charters and Dispensations submitted the following Report, which was adopted: —

"Your Committee beg leave to submit their Report, meagre and unsatisfactory as it necessarily must be. No communication or document of any description has been placed in their hands, except a Report from the High Priest of Union Chapter No. 17, with the mortifying statement that the entire effects of that Chapter had been destroyed by the invading army in its passage through his country, and praying for a duplicate charter, to enable them legitimately to pursue their labors. Your Committee also learn verbally from the delegates present, that most of the Chapters in the State have shared pretty much the same fate; and that while this devastation was going on, none were found with sufficient feeling to heed the cry of the Widow's Son. A similar outrage was perpetrated upon the Lodge in this place: the jewels having been abstracted, probably with the pitiful purpose of melting up. What adds most seriously to the grievance, scarcely one of our institutions has an available dollar in its treasury, and most of the members are in a similar condition; even our Grand Chapter possesses not the means to defray its ordinary expenses. Of the subordinates, scarcely one is able to cancel its dues; and, in this condition of affairs, it becomes incumbent upon the Grand Chapter to exercise towards them all the clemency in its power; and this seems absolutely necessary, even to secure its own existence.

"Cruelly have the calamities of the late unhappy hostilities fallen upon our entire community, and the Masonic Institution has shared largely in the universal distress. Under these painful circumstances, your Committee would unhesitatingly and respectfully recommend that no irregularities of the subordinates, consequent upon the above condition of affairs, be suffered to operate prejudicially to their prosperity; and that, upon proper representation to the Grand High Priest, he be authorized at his discretion to heal or reinstate the delinquent Chapters in their legitimate positions."

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Companion A. Martin, in announcing the death of Past Grand High Priest Robert G. Remkin, submitted the following remarks, which, with appropriate resolutions, were ordered to be spread upon the records, and published with their proceedings: —

"In the absence of the Grand High Priest, whose province, and whose melancholy duty it should have been, I now rise for the purpose of announcing the death of our friend and Companion, Robert G. Remkin.

"Among the many noble dead of our fraternity, whose blood has dyed the battle-fields of our domain, few, if any, have higher claims to our admiration, our love, and our regrets, than he; none, I am sure, were more entirely devoted to the interests and prosperity, the principles and tenets of our Order. On almost every page of the proceedings of this Grand Body, from the time of its reorganization to its last Annual Convocation, his name will be found recorded as a leader or a prominent actor in some of the most important business of the institution. His time, his talents, and his means have been ever freely, industriously, and liberally devoted to her interests and prosperity. As Chairman of the Committee of Foreign Correspondence, his talents and his masonic knowledge have been highly commended by the Masonic Grand Bodies throughout the country. As Grand High Priest of this Order in North Carolina, he was esteemed and admired by all the Chapters over which he had been chosen to preside. From his store of masonic knowledge he was ever ready to impart freely and liberally to all who sought instruction; and to him the poor and destitute never appealed in vain. In him has fallen one of our most prominent landmarks; and I feel that no Companion who knew him well will fail to cordially respond to all that I have said, and much more that I might with truth have said, in commendation of the high character, and the long, faithful, and valuable services of our deceased Companion."

M.E. G. B. Waterhouse was re-elected Grand High Priest; and E. T. B. Carr, Grand Secretary.

There are thirty Chapters and three U.D. under this jurisdiction. It is feared that many of these have become dormant; of their true condition time alone can determine.

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## RHODE ISLAND.

The proceedings of the Annual Convocation for 1864 and 1865, and of a Special Convocation holden on the 15th of August, 1865, were duly received, but we find but little business reported aside from the usual Annual Reports and the choice of officers.

The Committee appointed at the Annual Convocation in 1863, "On the origin and history of the four degrees of Royal Arch Masonry," submitted the following Report at the Annual Convocation in 1864, which was placed on file: —

"The Committee to whom was referred the subject of the Chapter Degrees, after a careful examination of the main questions involved, and of the origin and history of said degrees, would respectfully Report: —

"Your Committee have no doubt but that the best interests of Masonry would be promoted by the union of the Royal Arch and Master's Degrees under one organization.

"The important practical questions involved in so great a change cannot be satisfactorily answered until after a more general expression of opinion by the various Grand Chapters, Grand Lodges, and well-informed Masons of the country. We therefore deem further action on the part of this Grand Chapter at the present time inexpedient."

At the Annual Convocation in 1865, M.E. Thomas A. Doyle, of Providence, was elected Grand High Priest; and R. E. Samuel B. Swan was re-elected Grand Secretary.

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| Number of Chapters | 5 |
| ,, ,, Exaltations in 1865 | 90 |
| ,, ,, Members | 624 |

No Report on Foreign Correspondence was presented.



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## VERMONT.

The Annual Communication of the Grand Royal Arch Chapter was holden at Middlebury, on the first Wednesday of October, 1865. M.E. Gamaliel Washburn, Grand High Priest, presiding.

Thirteen Chapters, being the whole number under this jurisdiction, were represented.

The Grand High Priest, in his address, congratulates his Companions upon "the happy change in our national affairs," and upon the welcome return of peace.

He refers to the death of Companion Past Grand High Priest Thomas H. Campbell, in the seventy-eighth year of his age, and Companion John Poor, in the eightieth year of his age; the latter received the Royal Arch Degrees in 1817, and had filled almost every office in the Order. They were both ardent lovers of Masonry, and faithful in the discharge of their masonic duties.

He reports: —

"That the progress of Royal Arch Masonry in this jurisdiction the past year has been steady, firm, and onward, — each Chapter moving forward in peace and harmony."

Dispensations were granted for Chapters in the town of Alburg, by the name of Hill Chapter, and in Morristown, by the name of Tucker Chapter.

The Committee on Foreign Correspondence presented their review of the proceedings of fifteen Grand Chapters, Massachusetts included; most of these are on our files.

Leverett B. Englesby, of Burlington, was elected M.E. Grand High Priest; and E. Companion John B. Hollenbeck re-elected Grand Secretary.

The following resolutions, reported by the Committee on Foreign Correspondence, were adopted.

"*Resolved*, That the Grand Chapter of Vermont, now in session, does hereby tender the expression of its sincere good-will, together with an earnest and heartfelt desire for the speedy renewal and assiduous cultivation of former fraternal relations with those Grand Chapters which may still exist in the late so-called Confederate States.

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"*Resolved*, That this Grand Chapter will cordially co-operate in any endeavors that may be initiated by other Grand Bodies to assuage any lingering bitterness of feeling that may still exist between the two recently hostile sections of the country by bringing in the powerful, yet soothing influences of the mild and benignant precepts of Royal Arch Masonry."

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| Number of Chapters | 13 |
| ,, ,, Members | 970 |
| Exaltations not given | |
| No Report from Chapters under Dispensation. | |

## GENERAL GRAND CHAPTER OF THE UNITED STATES OF AMERICA.

The Nineteenth Triennal Convocation of the General Grand Royal Arch Chapter was holden in the city of Columbus, Ohio, on the eighth day of September, 1865. M.E. John L. Lewis, of New York, Deputy General Grand High Priest, presiding.

There appears to have been no business of importance transacted, with the exception of granting several charters, and the installation of officers.

The Committee on Charters reported in favor of granting charters for the following places: —

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| To King Cyrus Chapter | at | Valparaiso, South America. |
| ,, Denver | ,, | Denver City, Colorado. |
| ,, Central City | ,, | Central ,, ,, |
| ,, Omaha | ,, | Omaha, Nebraska. |
| ,, Keystone | ,, | Nebraska City, Nebraska. |
| ,, Leavenworth | ,, | Leavenworth, Kansas. |
| ,, Fort Scott | ,, | Fort Scott, ,, |
| ,, Lewis | ,, | Carson City, Nevada. |
| ,, Nebraska | ,, | Plattsmouth, Nebraska. |

A Dispension was granted by the Deputy General Grand High Priest for a Chapter to be known as "St. John's Chapter" at Smyrna, in Turkey, with the following officers: Hyde Clark, High Priest; John B. Patterson, King; Edwin S. Tolcy, Scribe.

Several Amendments of the Constitution of the General Grand Chapter were proposed, which lie over to 1868 for final action.

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M.E. John L. Lewis, of Penn Yan, N.Y., was elected General Grand High Priest; and M.E. John D. Caldwell, of Cincinnati, Ohio, General Grand Secretary.

At this Convocation there were present twenty-two representatives and twenty-six proxies of representatives, out of about one hundred and twenty who are entitled to vote. About one-fifth of the members to whom is intrusted the legislation of the General Grand Chapter were present, showing conclusively that there is but little interest in the general objects for which the General Grand Chapter was instituted; we trust that at the next Triennial Meeting measures will be adopted, either to make it what it was intended to be, a living organization, or else abandon it altogether.

COMPANIONS, — With the conclusion of this Report we retire from the position which we have held for the last four years as the Committee on Foreign Correspondence. We accepted this appointment because it was of our recommendation that such a Committee should be raised, but not with a desire, or expectation, of being appointed whilst there were so many others of larger experience and better qualified than ourselves for this position; but rather than shrink from the performance of any duty, we accepted the important trust, in order that the Grand Chapter of Massachusetts might be put in communication with other Jurisdictions.

We would return to the various Committees on Foreign Correspondence of other Jurisdictions our thanks for the courtesy extended to us; and if we have, in any of our remarks, forgotten that masonic courtesy which should be rendered to those who may differ from us, we trust that they will exercise in our behalf that true Masonic Charity "which is not easily provoked nor thinketh no evil."

Respectfully and fraternally submitted,

JAMES KIMBALL,
*Committee on Foreign Correspondence.*

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# OFFICERS

OF THE

# Grand Royal Arch Chapter of Massachusetts.

ELECTED SEPTEMBER 11, 1866.

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| M.E. RICHARD BRIGGS | *Grand High Priest.* |
| E. CHARLES A. WELCH | *Deputy Grand High Priest.* |
| E. HENRY ENDICOTT | *Grand King.* |
| E. REV. RUFUS S. POPE | *Grand Scribe.* |
| E. THEODORE H. EMMONS | *Grand Captain of the Host.* |
| E. BENJAMIN LEWIS | *Grand Principal Sojourner.* |
| E. H. NORRIS | *Grand Royal Arch Captain.* |
| E. HENRY C. SKINNER | *Grand Master Third Veil.* |
| E. CHARLES G. JACKMAN | *Grand Master Second Veil.* |
| E. WILLIAM GROVER | *Grand Master First Veil.* |
| E. PETER C. JONES | *Grand Treasurer.* |
| E. THOMAS WATERMAN | *Grand Secretary.* |
| E. REV. JOHN P. ROBINSON,<br>E. REV. G. L. HUNT,<br>E. REV. JOHN W. DADMUN, | *Grand Chaplains.* |
| E. N. A. APOLLONIO, | *Senior Grand Steward.* |
| E. EBEN F. GAY | *Junior Grand Steward.* |
| E. ALFRED F. CHAPMAN | *Grand Lecturer.* |
| E. HENRY CHICKERING | *Com. on For. Correspondence.* |
| E. JOHN McCLELLAN,<br>E. SOLON THORNTON,<br>E. JOHN K. HALL, | *Committee of Finance.* |
| E. WILLIAM PARKMAN,<br>E. SAMUEL MILLARD,<br>E. THOMAS WATERMAN, | *Committee of Charity.* |
| E. PETER C. JONES,<br>E. WILLIAM PARKMAN,<br>E. RICHARD BRIGGS, | *Trustees of the Funds.* |
| E. LUTHER L. TARBELL | *Grand Tyler.* |

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# PERMANENT MEMBERS

OF THE

# Grand Royal Arch Chapter of Massachusetts.

## PAST GRAND HIGH PRIESTS.

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| *Benjamin Hurd, Jr. | 1798, 99, 1800. |
| *Dudley Atkins Tyng | 1801, 2. |
| *Timothy Bigelow | 1803, 4, 5. |
| *Isaiah Thomas | 1806, 7, 8. |
| *Oliver Prescott | 1809. |
| *James Dean Hopkins | 1810, 11, 12. |
| *John Abbott | 1813, 14, 15. |
| *Andrew Sigourney | 1816, 17. |
| *James Prescott | 1818, 19. |
| *Jonathan Gage | 1820, 21, 22. |
| *Paul Dean | 1823, 24, 25. |
| *Daniel Lewis Gibbens | 1826, 27, 28. |
| *Samuel Clark | 1829, 30, 31. |
| *Josiah J. Fiske | 1832, 33. |
| *Edward A. Raymond | 1834, 35, 36. |
| Simon W. Robinson | 1837, 38, 39. |
| *John B. Hammatt | 1840. |
| *Elijah Atherton | 1841, 42, 43. |
| Thomas Tolman | 1844, 45. |
| Charles W. Moore | 1846, 47, 48. |
| *Benjamin Huntoon | 1849, 50, 51. |
| *Stephen Lovell | 1852, 53, 54. |
| Daniel Harwood | 1855, 56. |
| Wendell Thornton Davis | 1857. |
| John McClellan | 1858. |
| James Kimball | 1859, 60, 61. |
| Solon Thornton | 1862, 63, 64. |

* Deceased.

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## PAST DEPUTY GRAND HIGH PRIESTS.

| | |
|---|---|
| *Dudley Atkins Tyng | 1799, from April to Sept. |
| *Jonathan Gage | 1799. |
| *Joshua Greenleaf | 1800. |
| *Simon Eliot | 1801–2. |
| *Benjamin Russell | 1803–08, 1816–20. |
| *Henry Fowle | 1808–14. |
| *James C. King | 1814–15. |
| *Samuel L. Knapp | 1820. |
| *Paul Dean | 1821–22. |
| *Augustus Peabody | 1823–26. |
| *Benjamin Huntoon | 1826–29. |
| *Robert Lash | 1829–33. |
| Thomas Tolman | 1833, 1841–44. |
| Gardner Ruggles | 1834–37. |
| *John B. Hammatt | 1837–40. |
| *Elijah Atherton | 1840. |
| *Elias Haskell | 1844–45. |
| *Ruel Baker | 1846–47. |
| Gilbert Nurse | 1848. |
| Winslow Lewis, Jr. | 1849. |
| *Stephen Lovell | 1850–51. |
| Timothy Ingraham | 1852. |
| E. M. P. Wells | 1853. |
| Joseph Bedlow | 1854. |
| Samuel K. Hutchinson | 1855. |
| William R. Alger | 1856. |
| Tracy P Cheever | 1857. |
| *Isaac P. Seavy | 1858. |
| Wyzeman Marshall | 1859. |
| Solon Thornton | 1860. |
| Richard Briggs | 1861. |
| Albert H. Kirkham | 1862. |
| John K. Hall | 1863. |
| Caleb Rand | 1864. |
| John W. Dadmun | 1865. |



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## PAST GRAND KINGS.

| | |
|---|---|
| *Dudley Atkins Tyng | 1798. |
| *James Harrison | 1799. |
| *William McKeen | 1800. |
| *Charles Jackson | 1801. |
| *Benjamin Russell | 1802. |
| *Gilman White | 1803–4. |
| *David Coffin, Jr. | 1805. |
| *Amos Tappan | 1806. |
| *Oliver Prescott | 1807–8. |
| *William Woart | 1809–10. |
| *John Abbot | 1811–12. |
| *Samuel L. Knapp | 1813–14. |
| *Henry Fowle | 1815. |
| *James C. King | 1816–17. |
| *Joseph Brown | 1818. |
| *Robert Lash | 1819. |
| *Caleb Butler | 1820–23. |
| Henry Whipple | 1823. |
| *Daniel Lewis Gibbens | 1824–25. |
| Richard S. Spofford | 1626–29. |
| *Charles Train | 1829–32. |
| *Edward A. Raymond | 1832–33. |
| *William Whiting | 1834–35. |
| Simon W. Robinson | 1836. |
| *Elijah Atherton | 1837–40. |
| *Enoch Hobart | 1840. |
| *John R. Bradford | 1841–44. |
| Charles W. Moore | 1844–45. |
| Gilbert Nurse | 1846–47. |
| William Eaton | 1848. |
| *Lucien B. Keith | 1849. |
| Samuel Millard | 1850–51. |
| John Flint | 1852. |
| James W. Crooks | 1853. |
| Ebenezer W. Tolman | 1854. |
| Jonathan G. Johnson | 1855. |
| Wendell Thornton Davis | 1856. |
| William Parkman | 1857. |
| William H. L. Smith | 1858. |

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|---|---|
| William W. Baker | 1859. |
| *Sylvester Baxter | 1860. |
| William S. Shurtleff | 1861. |
| Charles C. Dame | 1862. |
| Henry Chickering | 1863. |
| Albert E. Foth | 1864. |
| David W. Crafts | 1865. |

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## PAST GRAND SCRIBES.

| | |
|---|---|
| *James Harrison | 1798. |
| *Joshua Greenleaf | 1799. |
| *Charles Jackson | 1800. |
| *Benjamin Russell | 1801. |
| *Stephen Howard | 1802. |
| *Abraham Perkins | 1803–4. |
| *Samuel A. Otis | 1805. |
| *James Dean Hopkins | 1806. |
| *Thomas Carey, Jr. | 1807–8. |
| *Thomas Jackson | 1809. |
| *Sumner Barstow | 1810. |
| *Henry Purkett | 1811. |
| *Edward Turner | 1812. |
| *Andrew Sigourney | 1813–14. |
| *Nathaniel Knapp, Jr. | 1815. |
| *Joseph Brown | 1816–17. |
| *Robert Lash | 1818. |
| *James Morse | 1819–20. |
| *Rosewell Lee | 1821. |
| *Daniel Baxter | 1822. |
| *Daniel Lewis Gibbens | 1823. |
| *John James Loring | 1824–25. |
| *Samuel Clark | 1826–29. |
| *Charles Wells | 1829–33. |
| *William Whiting | 1833. |
| Simon W. Robinson | 1834–35. |
| *Elijah Atherton | 1836. |
| *Enoch Hobart | 1837–40. |
| *John R. Bradford | 1840. |
| *Robert Keith | 1841–44. |
| *Ruel Baker | 1844–45. |

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|---|---|
| *Joel Talbot | 1846–47. |
| *Lucien B. Keith | 1848. |
| Samuel Millard | 1849. |
| *Henry Earl | 1850–51. |
| Jonas A. Marshall | 1852. |
| *Horace Chenery | 1853. |
| John McClellan | 1854. |
| Abraham A. Dame | 1855. |
| John Andrews | 1856. |
| Joel Spalding | 1857. |
| James Kimball | 1858. |
| Henry Goddard | 1859. |
| George Sherwin | 1860. |
| George Talbot | 1861. |
| Moses H. Fowler | 1862. |
| John N. Pike | 1863. |
| Wanton T. Drew | 1864. |
| Marlborough Williams | 1865. |

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# ABSTRACT

FROM THE

# Returns of the Subordinate Chapters

FOR THE YEAR 1866,

WITH DATE OF ORGANIZATION.

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## ST. ANDREW'S CHAPTER, BOSTON.

A.L. 5869.

OFFICERS.

| | |
|---|---|
| M.E. LYMAN B. MESTON | High Priest. |
| E. GEORGE T. AMBROSE | King. |
| E. ALFRED F. CHAPMAN | Scribe. |
| CHARLES W. ROMNEY | Captain of the Host. |
| J. N. M. CLOUGH | Principal Sojourner. |
| WILLIAM S. HILLS | Royal Arch Captain. |
| FRANCIS P. BABBIT | Master Third Veil. |
| GEORGE E. HALL | Master Second Veil. |
| CHARLES O. FOX | Master First Veil. |
| JOHN MCCLELLAN | Treasurer. |
| THOMAS WATERMAN | Secretary. |
| JOHN P. ROBINSON | Chaplain. |
| MARLBOROUGH WILLIAMS | Senior Steward. |
| EDWARD A. WHITE | Junior Steward. |
| LUTHER L. TARBELL | Tyler. |

**Regular Meetings, first Wednesday of each month.**

**Present number of Members, 354; Candidates exalted, 32; Fees to Grand Chapter, $153.**

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## KING CYRUS CHAPTER, NEWBURYPORT.

A.L. 5790.

OFFICERS.

| | |
|---|---|
| M.E. John N. Pike | High Priest. |
| E. Warren Currier | King. |
| E. William H. Johnson | Scribe. |
| Enoch G. Currier | Captain of the Host. |
| John Walton | Principal Sojourner. |
| David J. Adams | Royal Arch Captain. |
| Nathan A. Moulton | Master Third Veil. |
| Tristram Talbot | Master Second Veil. |
| John M. Carter | Master First Veil. |
| Mark Symons | Treasurer. |
| James W. Cheney | Secretary. |
| O. S. Butler | Chaplain. |
| Samuel Noyes | Tyler. |

Regular Meetings, Thursday succeeding full moon.

Present number of Members, 75; Candidates exalted, 20; Fees to Grand Chapter, $70.

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## WASHINGTON CHAPTER, SALEM.

A.L. 5811.

OFFICERS.

| | |
|---|---|
| M.E. William C. Maxwell | High Priest. |
| E. Charles H. Norris | King. |
| E. John J. Coker | Scribe. |
| John P. Browning | Captain of the Host. |
| George W. S. Rollins | Principal Sojourner. |
| Henry H. Blake | Royal Arch Captain. |
| George Tapley | Master Third Veil. |
| Samuel C. Weston | Master Second Veil. |
| Daniel H. Jewett | Master First Veil. |
| Alva Kendall | Treasurer. |
| William Archer | Secretary. |
| John G. A. Batchelder | Senior Steward. |
| Richard B. Hood | Junior Steward. |
| William L. Batchelder | Tyler. |

Regular Meetings, second and fourth Thursdays of each month.

Present number of Members, 125; Candidates exalted, 21; Fees to Grand Chapter, $69.

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## ADONIRAM CHAPTER, NEW BEDFORD.

A.L. 5816.

OFFICERS.

| | |
|---|---|
| M.E. Wanton T. Drew | High Priest. |
| E. John B. Baylies | King. |
| E. John A. Lee | Scribe. |
| William W. Arnold | Captain of the Host. |
| Henry G. Pomroy | Principal Sojourner. |
| David S. Small | Royal Arch Captain. |
| William E. Mason | Master Third Veil. |
| Charles H. Sanford | Master Second Veil. |
| Charles Searell | Master First Veil. |
| Edward Stetson | Treasurer. |
| Elisha C. Leonard | Secretary. |
| George W. Stearns | Chaplain. |
| William A. Searell | Tyler. |

Regular Meetings, first Wednesday of each month.

Present number of Members, 237; Candidates exalted, 36; Fees to Grand Chapter, $114.

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## MORNING STAR CHAPTER, SPRINGFIELD.

A.L. 5817.

OFFICERS.

| | |
|---|---|
| M.E. Albert E. Foth | High Priest. |
| E. Hiram A. Keith | King. |
| E. Moses Wingate | Scribe. |
| James C. Drake | Captain of the Host. |
| Richard H. Bailey | Principal Sojourner. |
| William F. Bowers | Royal Arch Captain. |
| James M. Porter | Master Third Veil. |
| D. B. Montague | Master Second Veil. |
| Lovel K. Cole | Master First Veil. |
| Thomas Warner | Treasurer. |
| Henry D. Miller | Secretary. |
| Josiah Marvin | Chaplain. |
| George D. Rollins | Tyler. |

Regular Meetings, first Friday in each month.

Present number of Members, 270; Candidates exalted, 26; Fees to Grand Chapter, $84.

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## FRANKLIN CHAPTER, GREENFIELD.

A.L. 5817.

OFFICERS.

| | |
|---|---|
| M.E. E. P. Graves | High Priest. |
| E. Charles Parsons, Jr. | King. |
| E. William S. Severance | Scribe. |
| Charles E. Severance | Captain of the Host. |
| R. S. Parker | Principal Sojourner. |
| George Willey | Royal Arch Captain. |
| David Lyon | Master Third Veil. |
| E. J. Rice | Master Second Veil. |
| E. Rugg | Master First Veil. |
| R. Howland | Treasurer. |
| George H. Hovey | Secretary. |
| P. V. Finch | Chaplain. |
| James Rowley, Jr. | Senior Steward. |
| Frank A. Pond | Junior Steward. |
| Anson Mitchell | Tyler. |

Regular Meetings in each month on Wednesday next after the full of the moon.

Present number of Members, 102; Candidates exalted, 8; Fees to Grand Chapter, $30.

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## ST. PAUL'S CHAPTER, BOSTON.

A.L. 5818.

OFFICERS.

| | |
|---|---|
| M.E. Henry Endicott | High Priest. |
| E. Frederick A. Pierce | King. |
| E. Richard M. Barker | Scribe. |
| James A. Fox | Captain of the Host. |
| Samuel W. Greene | Principal Sojourner. |
| Charles G. Jackman | Royal Arch Captain. |
| Charles F. Wyman | Master Third Veil. |
| Henry Warren | Master Second Veil. |
| Henry A. Barry | Master First Veil. |
| John K. Hall | Treasurer. |
| T. H. Emmons | Secretary. |
| Elisha Pote | Senior Steward. |
| William Sawyer | Junior Steward. |
| Luther L. Tarbell | Tyler. |

Regular Meetings, third Tuesday in each month.

Present number of Members, 345; Candidates exalted, 12; Fees to Grand Chapter, $42.

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## MOUNT ZION CHAPTER, STOUGHTON.

A.L. 5820.

No returns.

Regular Meetings, Friday preceding full moon.

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## THOMAS CHAPTER, FITCHBURG.

A.L. 5821.

OFFICERS.

| | |
|---|---|
| M.E. Charles S. Litch | High Priest. |
| E. E. Dana Bancroft | King. |
| E. John Burney | Scribe. |
| Jonas A. Marshall | Captain of the Host. |
| Joseph E. Manning | Principal Sojourner. |
| Warren C. Upton | Royal Arch Captain. |
| Francis Sheldon | Master Third Veil. |
| Joseph A. Tufts | Master Second Veil. |
| Sullivan W. Huntley | Master First Veil. |
| Arnold Wilson | Treasurer. |
| Henry Allison | Secretary. |
| David C. Brick | Chaplain. |
| H. F. Cogshall | Senior Steward. |
| E. J. Crossman | Junior Steward. |
| Joseph Pierce | Tyler. |

Regular Meetings, Wednesday on or before full moon in each month, July excepted.

Present number of Members, 72; Candidates exalted, 19; Fees to Grand Chapter, $63.



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## WORCESTER CHAPTER, WORCESTER.

A.L. 5823.

OFFICERS.

| | |
|---|---|
| M.E. Thomas E. St. John | High Priest. |
| E. Charles G. Reed | King. |
| E. Frank H. Rice | Scribe. |
| John Dean | Captain of the Host. |
| Daniel W. Bemis | Principal Sojourner. |
| Joseph B. Lawrence | Royal Arch Captain. |
| Daniel Seagrave | Master Third Veil. |
| Jonathan E. Chase | Master Second Veil. |
| Charles H. Fitch | Master First Veil. |
| Asa Walker | Treasurer. |
| Clarendon Wheelock | Secretary. |
| Samuel Kelley | Chaplain. |
| Nelson Cowen | Tyler. |

**Regular Meetings, second Friday in each month.**

**Present number of Members, 152; Candidates exalted, 42; Fees to Grand Chapter, $99.**

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## MOUNT LEBANON CHAPTER, MILFORD.

A.L. 5824.

OFFICERS.

| | |
|---|---|
| M.E. Henry C. Skinner | High Priest. |
| E. Isaiah R. Spalding | King. |
| E. H. H. Bowers | Scribe. |
| George E. Stacy | Captain of the Host. |
| John S. Cox | Principal Sojourner. |
| J. Harding Smith | Royal Arch Captain. |
| Ezra F. Holbrook | Master Third Veil. |
| Leonard Fairbanks | Master Second Veil. |
| Jonathan C. Bradford | Master First Veil. |
| Leonard Hunt | Treasurer. |
| Harri T. Bradish | Secretary. |
| Leonard Wakefield | Chaplain. |
| Edward Woods | Senior Steward. |
| Linville S. Pike | Junior Steward. |
| John M. Wood | Tyler. |

**Regular Meetings, first Thursday after full moon.**

**Present number of Members, 101; Candidates exalted, 8; Fees to Grand Chapter, $30.**

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## NORTHAMPTON CHAPTER, NORTHAMPTON.

A.L. 5825.

OFFICERS.

| | |
|---|---|
| M.E. William C. Robinson | High Priest. |
| E. Robert R. Mayers | King. |
| E. Christopher Clarke | Scribe. |
| George F. Wright | Captain of the Host. |
| Josiah H. Prindle | Principal Sojourner. |
| Joseph C. Williams | Royal Arch Captain. |
| Ira H. Stephens | Master Third Veil. |
| Osmon O. Roberts | Master Second Veil. |
| Cyrus J. Emerson | Master First Veil. |
| Ansel Wright | Treasurer. |
| A. Perry Peck | Secretary. |
| William T. Clement | Chaplain. |
| George S. Phelps | Tyler. |

**Regular Meetings, first Wednesday in each month.**

**Present number of Members, 85; Candidates exalted, 6; Fees to Grand Chapter, $24.**

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## CONCORD CHAPTER, FRAMINGHAM.

A.L. 5826.

OFFICERS.

| | |
|---|---|
| M.E. Jonathan Greenwood | High Priest. |
| E. Samuel Hastings | King. |
| E. J. C. King | Scribe. |
| N. Winch | Captain of the Host. |
| B. Morse | Principal Sojourner. |
| J. S. Downes | Royal Arch Captain. |
| John Blair | Master Third Veil. |
| L. Newton | Master Second Veil. |
| W. H. Seaver | Master First Veil. |
| Adam Hemenway | Treasurer. |
| C. J. Frost | Secretary. |
| H. C. Burnham | Senior Steward. |
| William M. Mason | Junior Steward. |
| Frederick Coe | Tyler. |

**Regular Meetings, first Thursday in each month.**

**Present number of Members, 36; Candidates exalted, 18; Fees to Grand Chapter, $60.**

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## MOUNT HOREB CHAPTER, LOWELL.

A.L. 5826.

OFFICERS.

| | |
|---|---|
| M.E. Hiram N. Hall | High Priest. |
| E. Albion J. Dudley | King. |
| E. Charles Morrill | Scribe. |
| T. L. P. Lamson | Captain of the Host. |
| John M. Peavey | Principal Sojourner. |
| Horace B. Bacon | Royal Arch Captain. |
| N. C. Sanborn | Master Third Veil *p.t.* |
| Julian V. Keyes | Master Second Veil. |
| Frederick Frye | Master First Veil. |
| Jonathan P. Folsom | Treasurer. |
| Richard W. Baker | Secretary. |
| Theodore Edson | Chaplain. |
| S. Ashworth | Senior Steward. |
| George F. Scribner | Junior Steward. |
| Samuel K. Feilding | Tyler. |

Regular Meetings, Monday on or before full moon.

Present number of Members, 164; Candidates exalted, 20; Fees to Grand Chapter, $66.

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## ST. JOHN'S CHAPTER, EAST BOSTON.

A.L. 5854.

OFFICERS.

| | |
|---|---|
| M.E. John Tyrer | High Priest. |
| E. E. C. Chamberlin | King. |
| E. John G. Haslett | Scribe. |
| George F. Sampson | Captain of the Host. |
| J. Byron Nason | Principal Sojourner. |
| Olof Lindergreen | Royal Arch Captain. |
| James Smith | Master Third Veil. |
| Benjamin Albee | Master Second Veil. |
| Thomas Shaw | Master First Veil. |
| George T. Sampson | Treasurer. |
| Hezekiah Mayo | Secretary. |
| Samuel W. Foljambe | Chaplain. |
| Church Heavner | Senior Steward. |
| Thomas Bond | Junior Steward. |
| Samuel W. Gleason | Tyler. |

Regular Meetings, first Monday in each month.

Present number of Members, 133; Candidates exalted, 25; Fees to Grand Chapter, $81.

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## CHAPTER OF THE SHEKINAH, CHELSEA.

A.L. 5855.

OFFICERS.

| | |
|---|---|
| M.E. George H. Marden | High Priest. |
| E. Henry G. Fay | King. |
| E. James M. Greenwood | Scribe. |
| Charles M. Avery | Captain of the Host. |
| Charles T. Gay | Principal Sojourner. |
| John Walter | Royal Arch Captain. |
| Alexander Campbell | Master Third Veil. |
| William D. Seeley | Master Second Veil. |
| John E. Marden | Master First Veil. |
| Slade Luther | Treasurer. |
| George W. Vose | Secretary. |
| Rev. Charles H. Leonard | Chaplain. |
| G. W. Busteed | Senior Steward. |
| S. E. Holbrook, Jr. | Junior Steward. |
| Amos Seavey | Tyler. |

Regular Meetings, second Wednesday in each month.

Present number of Members, 164; Candidates exalted, 31; Fees to Grand Chapter, $99.

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## ORIENT CHAPTER, HYANNIS.

A.L. 5856.

OFFICERS.

| | |
|---|---|
| M.E. J. K. Baker, Jr. | High Priest. |
| E. Rufus S. Pope | King. |
| E. Thomas Weston | Scribe. |
| J. W. Chapman | Captain of the Host. |
| G. J. Miller | Principal Sojourner. |
| Samuel Snow | Royal Arch Captain. |
| John B. Baxter | Master Third Veil. |
| Ozias C. Baker | Master Second Veil. |
| Stephen Sears | Master First Veil. |
| Alexander Baxter | Treasurer. |
| A. S. Hallett | Secretary. |
| James Barnaby | Chaplain. |
| Erastus B. Chase | Senior Steward. |
| John H. Frost | Junior Steward. |
| Sidney Crowell | Tyler. |

Regular Meetings, in January, April, July, and October.

Present number of Members, 48; Candidates exalted, 5; Fees to Grand Chapter, $21.

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## PENTUCKET CHAPTER, HAVERHILL.

A.L. 5856.

OFFICERS.

| | |
|---|---|
| M.E. D. B. Tenney | High Priest. |
| E. F. J. Stevens | King. |
| E. L. C. Wadleigh | Scribe. |
| E. M. Hines | Captain of the Host. |
| David M. Kelley | Principal Sojourner. |
| B. F. Darling | Royal Arch Captain. |
| A. M. Vance | Master Third Veil. |
| T. P. Mitchell | Master Second Veil. |
| E. B. Littlefield | Master First Veil. |
| John P. Randall | Treasurer. |
| A. Whittier | Secretary. |
| Rev. C. H. Seymour | Chaplain. |
| C. Smith | Senior Steward. |
| J. B. Richardson | Junior Steward. |
| N. R. Johnson | Tyler. |

Regular Meetings, first Friday in each month.

Present number of Members, 123; Candidates exalted, 27; Fees to Grand Chapter, $87.

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## BERKSHIRE CHAPTER, PITTSFIELD.

A.L. 5858.

OFFICERS.

| | |
|---|---|
| M.E. A. N. Allen | High Priest. |
| E. H. S. Russell | King. |
| E. L. Scott | Scribe. |
| D. A. Clary | Captain of the Host. |
| Samuel H. Almy | Principal Sojourner. |
| William H. Cooley | Royal Arch Captain. |
| John T. Fenn | Master Third Veil. |
| Henry T. Robbins | Master Second Veil. |
| H. H. Wellington | Master First Veil. |
| J. Carter | Treasurer. |
| L. H. Gamwell | Secretary. |
| J. C. Parker | Tyler. |

Regular Meetings, first Thursday in each month.

Present number of Members, 62; Candidates exalted, 18; Fees to Grand Chapter, $60.

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## KING SOLOMON'S CHAPTER, WARE.

A.L. 5858.

OFFICERS.

| | |
|---|---|
| M.E. George Robinson | High Priest. |
| E. John Crosby | King. |
| E. John Wetherbee | Scribe. |
| John W. Robinson | Captain of the Host. |
| John T. Jordan | Principal Sojourner. |
| M. H. Gross | Royal Arch Captain. |
| Daniel R. Winslow | Master Third Veil. |
| J. F. Snow | Master Second Veil. |
| C. W. Richards | Master First Veil. |
| Wallace C. Sheldon | Treasurer. |
| Samuel H. Phelps | Secretary. |
| George M. Buttrick | Chaplain. |
| James Barkley | Tyler. |

Regular Meetings, Thursday on or before full moon.

Present number of Members, 35; Candidates exalted, 10; Fees to Grand Chapter, $36.

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## KEYSTONE CHAPTER, FOXBOROUGH.

A.L. 5860.

OFFICERS.

| | |
|---|---|
| M.E. Jales E. Carpenter | High Priest. |
| E. William W. Skinner | King. |
| E. Isaac P. Carpenter | Scribe. |
| Freeman J. Sawyer | Captain of the Host. |
| William B. Crocker | Principal Sojourner. |
| William C. Perrey | Royal Arch Captain. |
| Edson W. Ford | Master Third Veil. |
| Charles H. Sawyer | Master Second Veil. |
| Henry N. Paine | Master First Veil. |
| William Carpenter | Treasurer. |
| A. K. Belcher | Secretary. |
| George C. Forest | Tyler. |

Regular Meetings, Thursday on or after full moon.

Present number of Members, 55; Candidates exalted, 10; Fees to Grand Chapter, $36.

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## MOUNT SINAI CHAPTER, LAWRENCE.

A.L. 5860.

OFFICERS.

| | |
|---|---|
| M.E. William H. Jaquith | High Priest. |
| E. D. F. Robinson | King. |
| E. Daniel Nason | Scribe. |
| John Haigh | Captain of the Host. |
| Caleb Saunders | Principal Sojourner. |
| Nathan A. Bishop | Royal Arch Captain. |
| G. M. Stoddard | Master Third Veil. |
| John B. Penniman | Master Second Veil. |
| C. W. Flint | Master First Veil. |
| Rufus Reed | Treasurer. |
| P. B. Robinson | Secretary. |
| N. W. Harmon | Chaplain. |
| William McAllister | Senior Steward. |
| A. S. Wright | Junior Steward. |
| George W. Waterhouse | Tyler. |

Regular Meetings, last Thursday of each month.

Present number of Members, 101; Candidates exalted, 18; Fees to Grand Chapter, $60.

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## PILGRIM CHAPTER, ABINGTON.

A.L. 5862.

OFFICERS.

| | |
|---|---|
| M.E. Micah Nash | High Priest. |
| E. William H. Davis | King. |
| E. Cyrus Morton, Jr. | Scribe. |
| George W. Reed | Captain of the Host. |
| B. Sanford, Jr. | Principal Sojourner. |
| George W. Fay | Royal Arch Captain. |
| Prescott Lothrop | Master Third Veil. |
| William H. Maine | Master Second Veil. |
| Charles C. Bixby | Master First Veil. |
| Benjamin L. Nash | Treasurer. |
| Erastus M. Nash | Secretary. |
| Rev. F. P. Howland | Chaplain. |
| Charles F. Allen | Senior Steward. |
| Job P. Farrar | Junior Steward. |
| Joseph F. French | Tyler. |

Regular Meetings, Friday on or after full moon.

Present number of Members, 118; Candidates exalted, 14; Fees to Grand Chapter, $48.

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## WAVERLY CHAPTER, MELROSE.

A.L. 5863.

OFFICERS.

| | |
|---|---|
| M.E. Frederic J. Foss | High Priest. |
| E. Lyman Dike | King. |
| E. Thomas Winship | Scribe. |
| Samuel Tidd | Captain of the Host. |
| Charles C. Dike | Principal Sojourner. |
| Charles H. Delano | Royal Arch Captain. |
| O. W. Upham | Master Third Veil. |
| George G. Nichols | Master Second Veil. |
| Nathaniel Leonard | Master First Veil. |
| George W. Heath | Treasurer. |
| Walter Littlefield | Secretary. |
| T. J. Greenwood | Chaplain. |
| George F. Clapp | Senior Steward. |
| H. E. Robinson | Junior Steward. |
| Smith W. Nichols | Tyler. |

Regular Meetings, first Wednesday of each month.

Present number of Members, 212; Candidates exalted, 54; Fees to Grand Chapter, $168.

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## ST. MATTHEW'S CHAPTER, SOUTH BOSTON.

A.L. 5863.

OFFICERS.

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|---|---|
| M.E. Charles H. White | High Priest. |
| E. Benjamin Pope | King. |
| E. Benjamin T. Wells | Scribe. |
| John J. Dyer | Captain of the Host. |
| David Armstrong | Principal Sojourner. |
| Hugh McCully | Royal Arch Captain. |
| Ralph Crocker, Jr. | Master Third Veil. |
| Ethan R. Cheney | Master Second Veil. |
| William C. Culver | Master First Veil. |
| George Baxter, Jr. | Treasurer. |
| N. A. Apollonio | Secretary. |
| James I. T. Coolidge | Chaplain. |
| Joseph Lyon | Senior Steward. |
| Lendall F. Tarbitt | Junior Steward. |
| William D. Rockwood | Tyler. |

Regular Meetings, second Monday of each month.

Present number of Members, 111; Candidates exalted, 30; Fees to Grand Chapter, $96.



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## HAMPDEN CHAPTER, PALMER.

A.L. 5863.

OFFICERS.

| | |
|---|---|
| M.E. James B. Shaw | High Priest. |
| E. Marshall Fox | King. |
| E. John E. Crane | Scribe. |
| J. S. Williams | Captain of the Host. |
| E. W. Morris | Principal Sojourner. |
| C. W. Hastings | Royal Arch Captain. |
| S. G. Newton | Master Third Veil. |
| Frederick J. Wassum | Master Second Veil. |
| William Merriam | Master First Veil. |
| A. N. Dewey | Treasurer. |
| William W. Cross | Secretary. |
| L. A. Nelson | Tyler. |

Regular Meetings, Wednesday succeeding full moon.

Present number of Members, 36; Candidates exalted, 4; Fees to Grand Chapter, $18.

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## MYSTIC CHAPTER, MEDFORD.

A.L. 5863.

OFFICERS.

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|---|---|
| M.E. Henry H. Gilmore | High Priest. |
| E. Samuel C. Lawrence | King. |
| E. Benjamin A. Hersey | Scribe. |
| Charles E. Joice | Captain of the Host. |
| Alfred Haskell | Principal Sojourner. |
| James H. Archibald | Royal Arch Captain. |
| Smith B. Harrington | Master Third Veil. |
| S. Watson Drew | Master Second Veil. |
| Amos B. Morss | Master First Veil. |
| Luther Farwell | Treasurer. |
| Parker R. Litchfield | Secretary. |
| Henry M. Loud, James Skinner, | Chaplains. |
| N. T. Merrett | Tyler. |

Regular Meetings, Thursday after full moon.

Present number of Members, 82; Candidates exalted, 13; Fees to Grand Chapter, $45.

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## SUTTON CHAPTER, LYNN.

A.L. 5863.

OFFICERS.

| | |
|---|---|
| M.E. Alonzo C. Blethen | High Priest. |
| E. John G. Dudley | King. |
| E. Joshua C. Eldred | Scribe. |
| James A. Austin | Captain of the Host. |
| James F. Hartshorn, Jr. | Principal Sojourner. |
| Timothy Stevens | Royal Arch Captain. |
| Ezekiel F. Estes | Master Third Veil. |
| George F. Breed | Master Second Veil. |
| Henry O. Burrill | Master First Veil. |
| George B. Tolman | Treasurer. |
| Henry C. Oliver | Secretary. |
| Timothy G. Senter | Chaplain. |
| Stephen H. Sawtell | Senior Steward. |
| Sylvester B. Breed | Junior Steward. |
| George T. Estes | Tyler. |

Regular Meetings, second Thursday of each month.

Present number of Members, 58; Candidates exalted, 23; Fees to Grand Chapter, $66.

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## FALL RIVER CHAPTER, FALL RIVER.

A.L. 5864.

OFFICERS.

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|---|---|
| M.E. Robert C. Brown | High Priest. |
| E. Robert Henry | King. |
| E. Joshua Remington | Scribe. |
| Silas Williams | Captain of the Host. |
| James Davenport | Principal Sojourner. |
| William Davenport | Royal Arch Captain. |
| Daniel Stillwell | Master Third Veil. |
| Alden Gilbert | Master Second Veil. |
| John Whitaker | Master First Veil. |
| Abner L. Westgate | Treasurer. |
| Thomas L. Brayton | Secretary. |
| John Shepley | Chaplain. |
| Jireh B. Petty | Senior Steward. |
| Mason Fisher | Junior Steward. |
| William Preston | Tyler. |

Regular Meetings, second Monday of each month.

Present number of Members, 77; Candidates exalted, 14; Fees to Grand Chapter, $48.

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## CAMBRIDGE CHAPTER, CAMBRIDGE.

A.L. 5864.

OFFICERS.

| | |
|---|---|
| M.E. Z. H. Thomas | High Priest. |
| E. William F. Knowles | King. |
| E. James G. Holt | Scribe. |
| Frank A. Kennedy | Captain of the Host. |
| Charles Harris | Principal Sojourner. |
| E. B. Phillips | Royal Arch Captain. |
| Samuel M. Davis | Master Third Veil. |
| Samuel D. Young | Master Second Veil. |
| William J. Dowd | Master First Veil. |
| Caleb C. Allen | Treasurer. |
| Frederick W. Gregory | Secretary. |
| Charles A. Skinner | Chaplain. |
| Leander Greeley | Senior Steward. |
| W. J. Lathrop | Junior Steward. |
| Daniel M. Hazen | Tyler. |

**Regular Meetings, Third Friday of each month.**

**Present number of Members, 88; Candidates exalted, 20; Fees to Grand Chapter, $66.**

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## WALTHAM CHAPTER, WALTHAM.

A.L. 5864.

OFFICERS.

| | |
|---|---|
| M.E. Charles A. Welch | High Priest. |
| E. Louis A. Felix | King. |
| E. William B. Learned | Scribe. |
| J. W. Fairbanks | Captain of the Host. |
| Robert L. Davis | Principal Sojourner. |
| John C. Locke | Royal Arch Captain. |
| Charles Moors | Master Third Veil. |
| Henry W. Hartwell | Master Second Veil. |
| William Locke | Master First Veil. |
| Henry Martyn | Treasurer. |
| Francis W. Adams | Secretary. |
| Royal S. Warren | Chaplain. |
| Francis P. Pratt | Senior Steward. |
| J. Albert Pratt | Junior Steward. |
| John Harris | Tyler. |

**Regular Meetings, Thursday on or before full moon.**

**Present number of Members, 81; Candidates exalted, 19; Fees to Grand Chapter, $63.**

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## ST. MARK'S CHAPTER, TAUNTON.

A.L. 5865.

OFFICERS.

| | |
|---|---|
| M.E. John Holland | High Priest. |
| E. Charles F. Johnson | King. |
| E. James Brown | Scribe. |
| Edward E. Washburn | Captain of the Host. |
| John E. Browne | Principal Sojourner. |
| James Utley | Royal Arch Captain. |
| Edward Mott | Master Third Veil. |
| L. O. Barnard | Master Second Veil. |
| F. G. Shalling | Master First Veil. |
| Charles Lawton | Treasurer. |
| D. L. Mitchell | Secretary. |
| William H. Brown | Chaplain. |
| Obed Harlow, Jr. | Senior Steward. |
| Roger C. Guthrie | Junior Steward. |
| Thomas G. Rothwell | Tyler. |

Regular Meetings, Monday on or before full moon.

Present number of Members, 73; Candidates exalted, 17; Fees to Grand Chapter, $57.

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## MOUNT HOLYOKE CHAPTER, HOLYOKE.

A.L. 5865.

OFFICERS.

| | |
|---|---|
| M.E. William Grover | High Priest. |
| E. Nathaniel W. Quint | King. |
| E. John E. Chase | Scribe. |
| Oscar S. Tuttle | Captain of the Host. |
| Cyrus L. Frink | Principal Sojourner. |
| Robert R. Johnson | Royal Arch Captain. |
| Allen Higginbottom | Master Third Veil. |
| Austin L. Shumway | Master Second Veil. |
| Charles Blodgett | Master First Veil. |
| George H. Prentiss | Treasurer. |
| Charles H. Lyman | Secretary. |
| Alexander M. Averill | Chaplain. |
| Elijah H. Loomis | Senior Steward. |
| William Ruddy | Junior Steward. |

Regular Meetings, first Tuesday of each month.

Present number of Members, 37; Candidates exalted, 11; Fees to Grand Chapter, $39.

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## MOUNT VERNON CHAPTER, ROXBURY.

A.L. 5865.

OFFICERS.

| | |
|---|---|
| M.E. John W. Dadmun | High Priest. |
| E. George Frost | King. |
| E. Samuel Little | Scribe. |
| Charles J. Danforth | Captain of the Host. |
| John W. Lord | Principal Sojourner. |
| Ebenezer Adams | Royal Arch Captain. |
| Daniel Wheeler | Master Third Veil. |
| George Richards | Master Second Veil. |
| Joshua H. Putnam | Master First Veil. |
| R. W. Molineux | Treasurer. |
| John F. Newton | Secretary. |
| Franklin S. Merritt | Chaplain. |
| Elbridge G. Scott | Tyler. |

Regular Meetings, third Thursday of each month.

Present number of Members, 47; Candidates exalted, 23; Fees to Grand Chapter, $74.50.

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## CORINTHIAN CHAPTER, ADAMS.

A.L. 5865.

OFFICERS.

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|---|---|
| M.E. Daniel Upton | High Priest. |
| E. H. M. Holmer | King. |
| E. H. C. Bowen | Scribe. |
| R. B. Dean | Captain of the Host. |
| D. D. Bowen | Principal Sojourner. |
| James Renfrew | Royal Arch Captain. |
| E. T. Hunt | Master Third Veil. |
| N. W. Mason | Master Second Veil. |
| R. M. Cole | Master First Veil. |
| C. D. Cole | Treasurer. |
| H. H. Wellington | Secretary. |
| E. T. Hunt | Chaplain. |
| John Morin | Senior Steward. |
| J. K. Anthony | Junior Steward. |
| W. G. Farnsworth | Tyler. |

Regular Meetings, second Thursday of each month.

Present number of members, 17; Candidates exalted, 9; Fees to Grand Chapter, $27.

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## UNION CHAPTER, ATHOL.

A.L. 5866.

OFFICERS.

| | |
|---|---|
| M.E. GEORGE L. HUNT | High Priest. |
| E. ANDREW ATWOOD | King. |
| E. ANDREW J. CLARKE | Scribe. |
| CHARLES W. BANNON | Captain of the Host. |
| GEORGE P. SLOAN | Principal Sojourner. |
| JAMES H. WAITE | Royal Arch Captain. |
| CHARLES W. BARBER | Master Third Veil. |
| ERI SHEPPARDSON | Master Second Veil. |
| ASA BARNES | Master First Veil. |
| ALBERT G. MOULTON | Treasurer. |
| JOHN H. WILLIAMS | Secretary. |
| ASA BARNES | Chaplain. |
| AMOS CHENEY | Tyler. |

Regular Meetings, on or after full moon.

Present number of Members, 23; Candidates exalted, 8; Fees to Grand Chapter, $24.

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## ST. STEPHEN'S CHAPTER, DORCHESTER.

A.L. 5866. (U.D.)

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## MENOTOMY CHAPTER, WEST CAMBRIDGE.

A.L. 5866.

OFFICERS.

| | |
|---|---|
| M.E. John C. Blasdel | High Priest. |
| E. Edward Storer | King. |
| E. William H. Pattee | Scribe. |
| William T. Stowe | Chaplain. |
| Charles C. Sawyer | Captain of the Host. |
| Lewis Spalding | Principal Sojourner. |
| George O. Davis | Royal Arch Captain. |
| James Durgan | Master Third Veil. |
| Andrew F. Allen | Master Second Veil. |
| John A. Pattee | Master First Veil. |
| J. W. Peirce | Treasurer. |
| Milan R. Hardy | Secretary. |
| James Baston | Tyler. |

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## WEBSTER CHAPTER, WEBSTER.

A.L. 5866. (U.D.)

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# RECAPITULATION.

| Chapter. | Date of Charter. | Exalted. | No. Members. |
|---|---|---|---|
| St. Andrew's, Boston | 5769 | 32 | 354 |
| King Cyrus, Newburyport | 5790 | 20 | 75 |
| Washington, Salem | 5811 | 21 | 125 |
| Adoniram, New Bedford | 5816 | 36 | 237 |
| Morning Star, Springfield | 5817 | 26 | 270 |
| Franklin, Greenfield | 5817 | 8 | 102 |
| St. Paul's, Boston | 5818 | 12 | 345 |
| Mount Zion, Stoughton | 5820 | | 37 |
| Thomas, Fitchburg | 5821 | 19 | 72 |
| Worcester, Worcester | 5823 | 42 | 152 |
| Mount Lebanon, Milford | 5824 | 8 | 101 |
| Northampton, Northampton | 5825 | 6 | 85 |
| Concord, Framingham | 5826 | 18 | 36 |
| Mount Horeb, Lowell | 5826 | 20 | 164 |
| St. John's, East Boston | 5854 | 25 | 133 |
| Shekinah, Chelsea | 5855 | 31 | 164 |
| Orient, Hyannis | 5856 | 5 | 48 |
| Pentucket, Haverhill | 5856 | 27 | 123 |
| Berkshire, Pittsfield | 5858 | 18 | 62 |
| King Solomon's, Ware | 5858 | 10 | 35 |
| Keystone, Foxborough | 5860 | 10 | 55 |
| Mount Sinai, Lawrence | 5860 | 18 | 101 |
| Pilgrim, Abington | 5862 | 14 | 118 |
| Waverly, Melrose | 5863 | 54 | 212 |
| St. Matthew's, South Boston | 5863 | 30 | 111 |
| Hampden, Palmer | 5863 | 4 | 36 |
| Mystic, Medford | 5863 | 13 | 82 |
| Sutton, Lynn | 5863 | 23 | 58 |
| Fall River, Fall River | 5864 | 14 | 77 |
| Cambridge, Cambridgeport | 5864 | 20 | 88 |
| Waltham, Waltham | 5864 | 19 | 81 |
| St. Mark's, Taunton | 5865 | 17 | 73 |
| Mount Holyoke, Holyoke | 5865 | 11 | 37 |
| Mount Vernon, Roxbury | 5865 | 23 | 47 |
| Corinthian, Adams | 5865 | 9 | 17 |
| Union, Athol | 5866 | 8 | 23 |
| Menotomy, West Cambridge | 5866 | | |
| St. Stephen's (U.D.) Dorchester | 5866 | | |
| Webster „ Webster | 5866 | | |

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For 1867.

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